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Section I: Western International University Safety

Western International University ("the University" or "West") has developed important programs to help protect your safety and well-being. The following information is not a contract. It is, however, a useful description of our campus safety policies, and we encourage you to read it carefully.

1.1 Western International University Safety Declaration

Education requires a safe environment for success. Western International University is strongly committed to crime prevention and the safety of our members. Your cooperation is essential to minimize criminal activity and create a safer community for all.

Like other institutions, universities are not without occasional crimes. You are not only a citizen of the country and state in which you live; you are an important member of the Western International University community of students, faculty and staff. This means that you must obey both U.S. law and the rules and regulations of the University. Being aware of those rules and taking personal responsibility for your own conduct and safety improves the quality of life for everyone at the University.

1.2 The Campus Security Authority

To help ensure the safety of the University community, the University has a designated Campus Security Authority (CSA). We also provide Global Security team members (via third party contracted guard services). In some instances we may contract with the police or other public law enforcement. We fully cooperate with the police and other public law enforcement.

We comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, or "Clery Act," a federal statute requiring all colleges and universities that participate in federal financial aid programs to keep and disclose information about crime on and near their campuses. We also comply with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA) (42 USC 13701-14040). The Clery Act states that a CSA can be defined as any one of the following:

- Campus police department or a campus security department.
- Any individual who has responsibility for campus security (e.g., who is responsible for monitoring the entrance).

This Campus Safety Policies document refers to the CSA as the individual the University designates and identifies on In Case of an Emergency/9-1-1 posters in all classrooms and common areas at University locations. Students, faculty and staff should report criminal offenses and incidents to the CSA. You can also find the CSA’s name and contact information at http://west.edu/campus-safety.

Individuals should report any complaints regarding non-compliance with the Clery Act, VAWA or any state-specific regulations to the CSA.

The Clery Act states that other individuals may also support the CSA function, such as front desk University staff, those who provide security or monitor access to campus facilities or
parking facilities, and the library or Student Resource Center (SRC). These individuals serve as a point of contact in the event of an emergency, incident or crime.

The CSA advises them of this, provides Clery Act training, and partners with them to maintain a constant working relationship. Employees and Global Security personnel who handle tasks like patrolling, monitoring access, or providing a driving or walking safety escort also serve in campus security authority capacities. The CSA provides training on incident reporting and submitting crime reports.

1.2.1 Global Security

Global Security (via third party contracted guard services) is utilized on University property where there is not already a security presence provided by the property manager. These state-licensed personnel report all incidents and crime information to the appropriate CSA and/or the Campus Safety Team (please see the section titled Contacting the Campus Safety Team) per the Jeanne Clery Act.

While Global Security personnel and University campus employees cannot make arrests, they do work closely with federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to aid in the arrest of individuals committing crimes against the University and its members.

The number of assigned Global Security personnel to the University campus may vary depending on the size of the campus community and local crime trends. Each Global Security officer meets that state’s basic training requirements for uniformed security personnel. Authorized personnel may carry a guard license, guard certificate, security officer registration, or state-issued guard card.

1.2.2. Training of Global Security Personnel

Training of Global Security personnel covers the following:

- Legal restrictions on arrest, search and seizure, and use of force.
- Report writing basics and documentation requirements.
- Workplace violence recognition, response, and prevention.
- AED (where applicable), First Aid and CPR Certified.
- Jeanne Clery Act.
- Personal appearance and conduct that meet both security industry standards and those of the University.
- Personal protection and patrols.
- Personal skills, verbal communications/customer service, interviews and crowd control.
- Fire control, prevention and evacuation procedures.

Western International University works with Global Security to provide at least one security guard at the University campus. These individuals serve as a point of contact in the event of an emergency, incident or crime. The security personnel work with the CSA to maintain a working relationship to deter criminal activity and provide an environment of safety at the campus.
During the annual safety events, the CSA will communicate to all students and staff that Global Security personnel can assist with various security aspects, such as: taking a written report, assisting the local Emergency Medical Services, providing escorts when requested, patrolling surrounding campus area and being a liaison with local law enforcement.

1.3 **Global Security Communication with Campus Security Authorities**

Global Security is required to report all incidents and crime information to the CSA and/or the Campus Safety Team per the Jeanne Clery Act. All information is reviewed by the Campus Safety Team for reporting purposes. Please see the section titled *Contacting the Campus Safety Team*.

1.4 **Memorandum of Understanding with Local or State Police Agencies**

Western International University currently does not have any Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) between the University campus and local or State police agencies.

1.5 **Annual Review of the Campus Safety Program**

Western International University will conduct an annual review of the Campus Safety Program, Clery-related obligations, including the Annual Security Report (ASR) to ensure continuing compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act requirements.
Section II: Reporting and Disclosure of Campus Safety Policies and Annual Crime Statistics

We provide notice of reporting and disclosure of Campus Safety Policies and Annual Crime Statistics to current students, faculty and staff.

2.1 Notifying the University Community

Every year, the University’s community members receive a notice of the Annual Security Report electronically. The notice:

- discloses that these annual crime statistics are part of the University Annual Security Report and available on a website;
- gives the exact electronic website address for this report: http://west.edu/campus-safety; and
- states that community members may request a paper copy of the report.

2.1.1 Notifying Prospective Students, Faculty and Staff

Western International University also notifies prospective students, faculty and staff about the Campus Safety Policies and Annual Crime Statistics. The information contains the exact website address and states that community members may request a paper copy.

2.2 Procedure for Gathering and Disclosing of the University’s Annual Crime Statistics

A police report must be filed for loss or destruction of University property or crimes that occur on University property and for theft of University property, which is considered traceable (i.e., includes a serial number), even if the property was not stolen from a University location. Individual victims may choose to file a police report for personal property. We encourage them to do so. If asked, the CSA can assist with police reports for personal property.

The CSA will prepare and maintain documentation files for all reported campus crimes. The University’s Annual Security Report must include all Clery Act crimes reported to CSAs, regardless of who reported, whether an investigation is initiated, or whether there is any decision by a court, prosecutor, or any other non-campus official. In addition, the University’s Annual Security Report includes any Clery crimes reported to local law enforcement collected by the CSA through an information request. The CSA requests crime data from local law enforcement at least annually for reportable criminal activities occurring at the University.

The Campus Safety Team is responsible for:

- ensuring these Campus Safety Policies are reviewed and updated annually by the University’s respective subject matter experts to ensure continuing compliance;
- reviewing all crime reports submitted by the CSAs to ensure the appropriate crime classifications and Clery geographic locations are properly notated for insertion to the University’s Annual Security Report; and
• reviewing all crime data the CSAs receive from local law enforcement for reportable criminal activities occurring at University locations and ensuring this information is not double-reported in the Campus Crime Statistics.

Please see the section titled *Contacting the Campus Safety Team.*

The CSA will also maintain a listing of all reported criminal incidents and alleged criminal incidents (not just *Clery Act* crimes) that occurred on campus, in or on non-campus buildings or property or on public property within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus in the Campus Crime Log (Logbook). Reports of crimes that occurred within the patrol jurisdiction of Global Security are also entered into the Logbook. The Logbook must be made available to the public at the front desk for inquiring individuals. The Logbook will not contain any personal or private information regarding victims or witnesses of the crimes.

The Logbook for the most recent sixty (60) day period must be open to public inspection, free of charge, upon request, during normal business hours. Anyone may have access to the Logbook, whether or not they are associated with the University. Any portion of the Logbook that is older than sixty (60) days must be made available within two (2) business days of a request for public inspection. Archived Logbooks must be kept for seven (7) years.
Section III: Safety Awareness and Crime Prevention

At Western International University, we take safety awareness and crime prevention measures very seriously.

3.1 Crime Prevention Measures

The crime prevention measures below and other safety tips are provided to the campus community throughout the year via email, important messages and campus signage. Part of crime prevention is being alert to and aware of your immediate environment. Here are some important ways you can help keep yourself - and the University community - more safe and secure:

- Roll up windows and lock your car.
- Always take and keep your car keys with you.
- At night, travel in well-lighted areas and in pairs if possible. Avoid short cuts and deserted areas.
- Walk with a sense of purpose – show you are calm, aware, confident and know where you are going.
- Scan the area, around and inside your car, before entering.
- Do not leave valuable items visible inside your car, including personal items and school related materials such as textbooks.
- Do not park in isolated or poorly lit areas.
- Leave highly valuable items at home.
- Do not leave your personal property unattended.
- Do not carry more cash than necessary.
- Keep your purse, backpack or briefcase close to your body.
- Mark personal items that you bring on campus. This includes marking textbooks, laptops, and calculators with your name or some other traceable identification.
- Never bring any kind of weapon onto University property.

3.2 Safety and Access to Western International University Campus Facilities

Our goal is to provide a campus environment that is as safe and secure as possible. University buildings and facilities are usually accessible to the public during normal business hours. However, classrooms and office buildings are generally locked when not in use. Only faculty and staff have access to private program areas, secured administrative and institutional facilities. This restricted access is obtained using electronic access control badging systems and security locks. In addition to students signing in, non-employees must be escorted by an employee throughout their visit to any restricted access area. Certain areas of the Campus (i.e., Faculty Resource Center and IT Support rooms) have secured access to all non-authorized personnel.

3.3 Maintenance on Western International University Campuses
The CSA ensures campus maintenance issues that may affect safety or enhance criminal activity are resolved. The CSA must notify the appropriate facilities manager and request prompt attention to the problem.

University facilities management personnel maintain and repair campus facilities. This includes repairs to defective doors and locking mechanisms. Exterior lighting is another important part of our commitment to campus safety. Safety and security equipment such as alarms, video surveillance, and emergency call buttons are audited regularly by our Global Security Operations Center (GSOC) to ensure that the equipment is functioning. We ask that you promptly report any problems or hazards you notice to your CSA.

3.4 Safety Programs

The University sponsors at least one (1) annual safety event and one (1) sexual assault awareness and prevention training. These trainings should be available during a time and at a location to maximize participation from all students, faculty and staff. A common theme of our safety events is developing members’ awareness of their responsibility for their own safety and the safety of others. We focus on increasing security alertness and crime prevention education. Please contact the CSA for information on where and when these education events will occur.

The annual safety event varies by location and may include CPR, AED (automated external defibrillator), crime prevention, self-defense and protection, and local police or fire department demonstrations. See your CSA for information about upcoming security awareness and crime prevention programs.

3.4.1 Informing New Staff of Safety Reporting Procedures

In addition to coordinating these safety events, the CSA makes a good-faith effort to inform new and existing personnel of security reporting procedures. Staff who have regular interaction with the campus community are informed that students may approach them with crime-related incidents that need to be reported quickly to the CSA.

3.5 Emergency Evacuation Planning

The University maintains Emergency Response Guides (ERGs) in classrooms and common areas to provide a hands-on resource for students, faculty and staff to utilize in the event of emergencies involving medical response, evacuation, fire/smoke/explosion, severe weather, hazardous material, earthquake/power outage, active shooter, civil disturbance, and bomb threat. Faculty and staff are encouraged to be familiar with these procedures. The Campus also posts exit and evacuation diagrams on each floor.

The CSA conducts at least one emergency evacuation drill per year. Evacuation drills also include an emergency notification component to verify that staff, faculty, and students are familiar with the emergency notification messages and required actions. Drill results are reviewed by facility and security leadership for follow-up and additional training. The University community receives a communication annually describing its Emergency Mass Notification policies and procedures. Documentation for emergency evacuation drills conducted are on file with security.
3.5.1 Emergency Evacuation Assistance

Individuals who require assistance during an emergency must disclose this need to their Human Resources Business Partner (HRBP) (staff) or the Disability Services Advisor (DSA) (students) whose contact information can be found at [http://west.edu/student-services/education-resources/disability-services](http://west.edu/student-services/education-resources/disability-services). In conjunction with the CSA and Facilities, the HRBP/DSA develops a personal emergency plan that includes specific notification and evacuation procedures for appropriate students, faculty or staff in the event of an emergency.

3.6 Emergency Medical Technicians

For medical emergencies, Western International University presently employs security officers that are EMT certified and can act as first responders when needed. When a medical emergency occurs, call 911 first, but immediately afterwards, alert security officers by calling the security hotline at 602-557-7000 or toll-free at 1-866-992-3301. Our certified EMT officers can render medical aid during the potentially lifesaving minutes before 911 arrives. Security officers with EMT certification can be easily identified while on campus by their red security shirts and specially outfitted transport carts equipped with medical response kits.

3.7 Timely Warning Notifications to the Campus Community

The Campus Security Authority (CSA) is responsible for releasing a Timely Warning Notification (TWN) to alert the University community of crimes or events that may potentially threaten students, faculty, staff or property. Posting these notices is necessary when a serious threat or a systematic pattern of crimes or threats may put anyone in the University community at risk. CSAs are responsible for alerting the campus community (i.e., students, faculty and staff) of a particular crime or trend of crimes in a manner that is timely and will aid in the prevention of similar crimes. TWNs can be issued for threats to persons or to property. Names of victims or any personally identifiable information will not be placed in the notification.

TWNs are posted in visible, accessible areas at University locations where such threats occur. University campuses may use posters, emails and on-site digital and video monitors, or other available means to inform the campus community. A combination of communication methods may be used.

It is important to note that the CSA is not required to issue a TWN for every crime reported but must, at minimum, follow Clery Act guidelines. When making their decision, the Campus Safety Team may consult with local law enforcement. Whether the CSA issues a TWN is determined on a case-by-case basis in conjunction with all the facts surrounding the crime(s), including such factors as:

- **The nature of the crime.** TWNs should focus on those crimes and offenses specifically required for reporting according to the Clery Act (e.g. homicide, sexual assault, robbery, burglary, arson, etc.) and/or seriousness of the crime.
- **The continuing danger to the campus community.** TWNs should be released if the campus community is at risk of becoming victims of similar crimes, so it is important to evaluate whether the crime was a one-time occurrence or the result of a trend of reported crimes.
• **The possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts.** The CSA should consider law enforcement efforts when issuing a TWN, consulting with public authorities regarding the issuance of further TWNs so as not to compromise an ongoing investigation or other law enforcement efforts.

• **Community safety and awareness.** When issuing a TWN, the CSA must balance the need to include pertinent information about the crime that triggered the warning, while also protecting the confidentiality of the victim to the maximum extent possible. They also provide information that promotes safety and aids in the prevention of similar crimes.

Faculty, staff, and students may contact the Global Security Operations Center (GSOC) regarding security concerns at 866-992-3301. Personnel are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. However, in the event of an emergency, faculty, staff, and students should call 9-1-1 first.
Section IV: Emergency Mass Notification

The University maintains emergency management policies, procedures and systems to protect lives and property, and to continue necessary critical functions and essential services.

An emergency is defined as a situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of someone in the West community at a West site or that significantly disrupts West’s normal course of business.

The Emergency Mass Notification (EMN) process includes emergency escalation procedures, mass notifications, and supporting systems. In an emergency, dangerous or otherwise high-risk situation at a West site, these processes enable Western International University to, without delay and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system to students, staff, and faculty including those who are enrolled at West.

4.1 General Policy

West has assigned responsibility of managing the EMN policy and procedures to the University Global Security Team. The review of emergency events and the related issuance of EMNs is the responsibility of the Global Security Operations Center (GSOC) in partnership with the University Senior Crisis Management Team.

The GSOC may be notified of significant emergencies by any member of the University community including students, faculty, staff or visitors by calling (866) 992-3301 or through emergency/panic alarms where available. These notices and warnings are issued when the GSOC confirms with the Campus Director, the CSA, verified media source, or via electronic means that there is a significant emergency or a dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of members of the University community.

The University Senior Crisis Management Team may consist of members from various University entities as defined in the University Crisis Management Plan to include the University Legal Services, Communications & Public Relations, Facilities & Real Estate, Campus Operations, and Student Services.

Specific current University Senior Crisis Management Team members include the General Counsel, the Sr. Director of Global Security, the Senior Vice President of Communications, the Vice President of Facilities, the Senior Vice President of Campus Operations, and the Director of Compliance. Additional backup members from each participating organization are also assigned to take the place of the primary member(s) if unavailable.

University Senior Crisis Management Team will assign back-up individuals when appropriate. If a University Senior Crisis Management Team meeting is called to review a significant emergency or dangerous situation, it typically convenes by teleconference using a line made available by the GSOC.

4.2 Weather Emergencies
The EMN System will be used to notify members of the University community of location closings or delayed openings that are the result of severe weather. The decision to close or modify the operating hours of a location is at the discretion of the campus director, senior management or their designee.

All closings or delayed opening decisions must be reported to the GSOC as soon as possible. The GSOC will then send an EMN to the appropriate recipients according to the effected location. The content of these notifications will follow templates developed by the GSOC.

These alerts will only be sent during the hours of 7:00 am to 9:00 pm local time (Campus Directors may contact the GSOC at any time to schedule these alerts).

4.3 Reporting Emergencies

Individuals should immediately call emergency 9-1-1 for police assistance if they believe the situation warrants it. In addition to 9-1-1 reports, incidents that may warrant contacting the Campus Security Authority (CSA) or GSOC are those posing a serious or continuous health or safety threat to the University community such as dangerous or otherwise high-risk situations on site.

- Western International University students should contact the CSA: http://west.edu/campus-safety.
- Other contacts include the security desk or Security Team Members, where available.
- Students, staff and faculty on campus or at other University locations may contact the GSOC directly at (866)992-3301.

The GSOC is responsible for maintaining copies and tracking all emergency notifications. The CSA must immediately report any emergencies they receive to the GSOC which forwards them to the University Senior Crisis Management Team for immediate review.

The CSA also maintains a record of all EMNs for his/her location, including EMN tests, in the private CSA Notebook.

4.4 Notifications and Warnings

The process to initiate the EMN system is triggered as soon as the GSOC receives notice of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students, faculty and/or staff. Upon notification, the GSOC will immediately perform the following functions:

- notify the University Senior Crisis Management Team to convene and review the issue, considering factors described in the next paragraph below;
- use pre-templated messaging and EMN standard operating procedures, to develop messaging content that can be used if an EMN is to be issued;
- recommend which University segments should receive notifications; and
- initiate a notice to be sent out to the impacted University community by the University’s EMN system (provided by an outside vendor) based on the direction of the University Senior Crisis Management Team or GSOC protocols.
The GSOC in conjunction with the University Senior Crisis Management Team is responsible for reviewing issues on a case-by-case basis, considering factors such as:

- the nature of the situation,
- the continuing danger to the University community,
- the notification’s content,
- the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts, and
- those incidents that, in the judgment of the GSOC or the University Senior Crisis Management Team, warrant an EMN.

Notices sent as part of the EMN policy and procedures may include the following information:

- date and time of the notification and incident,
- the reason for the notification,
- the risk, threat, or emergency facing the University community,
- the locations that may be affected (which could include targets),
- appropriate procedures, which may include:
  - evacuation,
  - lockdown or shelter in place,
- safety suggestions,
- location closing information,
- procedures to help to contain or protect against the problem,
- contact information for related questions or issues,
- resources such as telephone numbers, website and other sources for information regarding the incident,
- additional details and directives to preserve safety and security, maps or other useful attachments,
- computer prompted questions may be presented.

The University Senior Crisis Management Team will use its discretion to determine what information should be disclosed and whether the notice should be delayed or limited to certain segments of the University community. The University Senior Crisis Management Team will make these determinations based on the nature of the issue, instructions from public safety officials, considering whether its release could compromise efforts to contain the emergency or the safety of the community.

All warnings, notifications and related communications must be approved by the GSOC or the University Senior Crisis Management Team. For the duration of the emergency, follow-up information will be provided to the University community as warranted. When appropriate, the Communications & Public Relations department may relay further status information to the University or the larger community.

At the conclusion of an incident and when authorized by the University Senior Crisis Management Team, an “all clear” message may be sent to all recipients of previous alert messages.
Executive management, University Senior Crisis Management Team members and the GSOC will receive copies of all notifications and alerts. Those sent to executive management will be labeled as “informational only” unless the executive team is being asked to act or make decisions. The GSOC will be responsible for maintaining copies and tracking all EMNs.

4.5 Notification Methods

The GSOC or University Senior Crisis Management Team may activate all or individual elements of the EMN system. Depending on the nature of the incident, EMNs may be distributed by any of the following means by individuals authorized by the GSOC or the University Senior Crisis Management Team:

- **Technology alerts**
  - Text messaging
  - Recorded messages to phones or similar devices
  - E-mail notifications

- **Visual alerts**
  - News releases
  - Posting electronic alerts on organizational home pages, message boards, websites and other sites where information will be likely to reach the University community
  - Posting on entry doors, bulletin boards, or other accessible areas of University sites affected by the situation

- **Person to person directives**
  - Door-to-door notifications
  - Direct phone calls
  - Phone trees
  - Other media releases

4.6 Maintenance of Emergency Contact Information

Students, faculty and staff are responsible for having current and accurate information on file with the University to ensure they receive notifications from the EMN. Note that West does not assume responsibility for incorrect contact information on file which may cause a notification not to be sent due to technical malfunctions, human or technical error, lost, delayed or otherwise compromised data or transmissions, omission, interruption, deletion, defect or failures of any telephone or computer line or network, costs, computer equipment, software or any other factors which may cause a lost notification.

Persons with disabilities and their managers, faculty or Disability Services Advisors (DSAs) are responsible for working together to ensure that a person nearby is assigned to provide assistance.

The IT Manager of Data Analytics Platform and Services is responsible for updating the EMN system using the relevant data sources on a regular basis.

4.7 Responsibility for Emergency Mass Notification Administration
The University Global Security Department is responsible for maintaining policies and procedures related to the EMN processes. The EMN processes, policies and procedures include the following elements:

- Establishing and communicating processes to report potential issues to the GSOC and University Senior Crisis Management Team for its review and consideration,
- Creating and implementing University community training regarding the EMN process including:
  - determining how potential issues should be reported,
  - maintaining of emergency contact information,
  - appropriate response procedures when the EMN system is used,
  - developing and maintaining overlapping and redundant backup systems to support,
- Providing written procedures used by the GSOC and University Senior Crisis Management Team to administer the EMN processes,
- Tracking and retention of all EMNs that are sent,
- Ensuring appropriate staff coverage and call trees to activate the EMNs,
- Overseeing periodic testing, at least annually, of EMN systems and processes, documenting the following:
  - Evacuation and lock-down systems,
  - Scheduled exercises to ensure students, staff and faculty are aware of the EMN process,
  - Description of the exercise, its date and time.

Related Links


National Weather Service (http://www.weather.gov)

American Red Cross (http://www.redcross.org)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (http://www.fema.gov)

Frequently Asked Questions

I’m not getting alerts when I think I should. What can I do?

Alerts are sent using the contact information in West’s database. Students, faculty and staff are responsible for having current and accurate information on file with West. Please check to make sure that your information is correct. Note: Some individuals may be associated with more than one campus. These recipients may only receive notifications for their primary location.

My department is having special event. Can I use the EMN to send invitations?
No. The EMN System is only for emergencies.

I only attend classes online. Why am I receiving these alerts?

Many of our students utilize our physical locations and their resources despite their class being online. For this reason, our notifications are intended to advise all members of our community of a disruption.

4.8 Monitoring and Enforcement

If any individual does not comply with this policy or if West determines that any actions were inappropriate or inconsistent with the law, or any University policy, standard, or guideline, West may take action against a student, faculty, or staff. This can include termination and appropriate actions as described in the student, faculty and employee handbooks or similar governing guides.

If West determines individuals are or have been engaged in criminal activity, West may refer this matter to law enforcement and provide any related documentation to assist in prosecution.

4.9 Definitions

Alert – A signal or messaging technique used to warn of danger, attack or other emergency situation. A condition or period of heightened watchfulness or preparation for action.

Campus - Is defined in 34 C.F.R. §668.46 as:

Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution’s educational purposes; and

Any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to the area identified above that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

Dangerous Situation – A situation being managed by a public safety entity that can escalate into a condition that may threaten lives, safety, property, or the environment and may require immediate action (e.g. barricaded suspect(s) within a contained police perimeter, release of localized hazardous materials that may require a building evacuation, structure fires requiring evacuation, suspicious devices that require a bomb squad response, etc.)

Emergency – An event, expected or unexpected, that threatens lives, safety, property, or the environment and requires immediate action.

Evacuate - To leave a room, building or campus in a timely and orderly manner.

Lockdown/Shelter-in-place - To secure an area by locking doors, windows, and barricading oneself to block entry to a room, building or campus. If a Lockdown is ordered, all persons should locate a safe room, assist others in moving to a safe room, lock door, close windows and
shades, turn off lights, move away from door and windows, and remain quiet in a safe location until further instruction.

**Notice or Warning** – A notice or warning is issued when a condition or situation is "imminent" or confirmed “already occurring” (e.g., tornado warning, flash flood warning, severe storm warning). Action in response is discretionary.

**State of Emergency** - A state of emergency is a declaration that may suspend certain normal functions of the organization. In addition, a state of emergency would alert staff and students to alter their normal behaviors and to safeguard themselves accordingly.

**Test** - Regularly scheduled drills, exercises, and appropriate follow-through activities, designed for assessment and evaluation of emergency plans, and capabilities. Tests may be announced or unannounced. The emergency response and evacuation procedures should be publicized and each test should be documented with a description of the exercise, the date, time, and whether it was announced or unannounced. The system should be exercised or used in conjunction with scheduled exercises to maintain awareness of the system by students, faculty, and staff.

**West** – Western International University

**West and Local Campus Community** – West US-based staff. West students, faculty and staff. University communities may include off-site locations under the control of West.

**West Site** –

Any building, property, or portion thereof, owned or controlled by West, and

Any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to the area identified above that is owned by West but controlled by another person, is frequently used by the West community, and supports West business (such as a food or other retail vendor).
Section V: Reporting Criminal Activities

Western International University does not regularly contract with local police to be present on our campus. In an emergency, dial 9-1-1 for help. We encourage accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes, whether on or off campus, to the state or local police when the victim of crime elects to or is unable to make such a report.

The University has Global Security available on our campus. You may ask the Campus Security Authority (CSA) if Global Security personnel are assigned to your campus. If so, you can also report on-campus incidents to the CSA, Global Security personnel on site or at the front desk. You may report criminal activity to the CSA anonymously or request confidentiality. The CSA will coordinate with the local police department and Global Security personnel when compiling the Annual Security Report.

Officially recognized student organizations should meet on University premises where University personnel and/or Global Security personnel will be present. University personnel and Global Security personnel do not monitor locations away from campus. However, we encourage you to report any emergency, criminal incident or concern to local law enforcement and/or to your CSA as appropriate.

5.1 Reporting Emergency Criminal Activities

In emergencies, dial 9-1-1 first.

9-1-1 answers calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The local police, fire or medical departments will respond immediately.

First, call 9-1-1 to report criminal offenses. You may use other emergency response numbers to reach public emergency response agencies.

Second, call the Global Security Operations Center (GSOC). In the event the criminal offense involves intent to harm or an act of violence, please contact the GSOC after calling 9-1-1 so that it may respond to the situation as soon as possible. The GSOC can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 866-992-3301.

After calling 9-1-1 and the GSOC, report emergency incidents and crimes to the CSA so s/he may also respond.

5.1.1 Reporting Weapons on Campus

No weapons are permitted on campus. In the event an employee, guest or student brings a weapon on campus and a threat or danger to the University community is perceived call 9-1-1 to report the weapon on campus. Global Security may choose to deploy authorized armed security personnel as needed.

Second, call the GSOC so that it may respond to the situation as soon as possible.

After calling 9-1-1 and the GSOC, report the weapons incident to the CSA so s/he may also respond.
5.2 Reporting Criminal Activity to the Campus Security Authority

The CSA is available at the University campus for students, faculty and staff. The CSA has the official capacity to receive all reports relating to crime at University locations.

The identity of the CSA is listed on the University website at http://west.edu/campus-safety and posted on the In Case of an Emergency/9-1-1 posters in visible areas at the campus. Please look for this information, so you will be prepared if you need it.

5.3 Anonymous and Confidential Reporting of Crimes

Western International University encourages students, faculty and staff to report any suspicious or criminal activities that occur at a University location. You may request confidentiality or make crime reports anonymously. Please contact your CSA and request confidentiality or anonymity if necessary.

Reports can also be made securely and confidentially via the Ethics Helpline. The Helpline is operated by a third-party provider and available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week at 1-888-310-9569 or online at www.apollohelpline.com. Reports to the Helpline will be treated confidentially to the maximum extent possible. You may also choose to make your report anonymously. When calling the Helpline, please provide as much information as possible, including:

- Circumstances of the crime noted (names, dates, times, places)
- Campus, department and individuals involved
- Location of any available evidence (physical evidence or records)
- Names and telephone numbers of witnesses
- Caller’s name and telephone number, if you choose not to remain anonymous

The University does not disclose personally identifiable information in its Campus Crime Statistics at http://west.edu/campus-crime-statistics.html or in the public Campus Crime Log.

5.4 Staff Support

The GSOC provides staff support 24 hours a day and 7 days a week to report information at 866-992-3301. Members of the campus community may also contact their local Silent Witness or Crime Stopper program to report information.

5.5 Confidential Reporting to a Counselor

Crime victims seeking professional counseling will have their information kept in confidence. Even if a victim gives the professional counselor permission to release his or her identity, the counselor may only report the occurrence of the event itself to be included in the Annual Crime Statistics, unless otherwise required by law. Please see the section on Counseling and Assistance Resources.
Section VI: Reportable Offenses

The Clery Act delineates the violations which need to be reported. The University Annual Security Report includes all Clery Act crimes reported to a Campus Security Authority (CSA) and local law enforcement (collected by the CSA through an information request) that meet FBI crime definitions. Reportable crimes are not limited to FBI-defined offenses, however.

6.1 List of Clery Reportable Offenses and Other Additional Offenses Including Kentucky’s Minger Act Offenses

The following Clery Act crimes meet definitions in the FBI’s Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. For the categories of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking, definitions are provided by the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and repeated in the U.S. Department of Education’s Clery Act regulations.

- **Criminal Offenses** – Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter, Manslaughter by Negligence, Rape, Fondling, Incest, Statutory Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson.

- **Hate Crimes** – Any of the above-mentioned offenses (excluding Manslaughter by Negligence), and any incidents of Larceny-Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, or Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property that were motivated by bias.

- **VAWA Offenses** – Any incidents of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking.

- **Arrests and Referrals for Disciplinary Action** for Weapons – Carrying, Possessing, etc. Law Violations, Drug Abuse Violations and Liquor Law Violations.

In addition, the following Kentucky Minger Act offenses (non-Clery Act statistics) are separately provided for the University Annual Security Report:

- Menacing; Reckless Homicide; Terroristic Threatening/Intimidation; and Wanton Endangerment.

6.2 Crime Definitions

**Criminal Offenses:**

- **Criminal Homicide, Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter**: The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

- **Criminal Homicide, Manslaughter by Negligence**: The killing of another person through gross negligence.
Sexual Assault (Sex Offenses): Any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

- Rape: The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. This offense includes the rape of both males and females.
- Fondling: The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
- Incest: Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
- Statutory Rape: Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Robbery: The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

Aggravated Assault: An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

Burglary: The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. For reporting purposes this definition includes: unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or felony; breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; housebreaking; safecracking; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

Motor Vehicle Theft: The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. A motor vehicle is any self-propelled vehicle that runs on land surface and not on rails. Motorboats, construction equipment, airplanes, and farm equipment are specifically excluded from this category. (Classify as motor vehicle theft all incidents where automobiles are taken by persons not having lawful access even though the vehicles are later abandoned – including joyriding.)

Arson: Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Hate Crimes:

A Hate Crime is a crime reported to local police agencies or to a campus security authority that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator’s bias against the victim. Bias is an expressed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on actual or perceived race, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, disability, sexual orientation, ethnicity or national origin.
- **Race:** A preformed negative attitude toward a group of persons who possess common physical characteristics, e.g., color of skin, eyes, and/or hair; facial features, etc., genetically transmitted by descent and heredity which distinguish them as a distinct division of humankind, e.g., Asians, blacks or African Americans, whites.
- **Gender:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender, e.g., male or female.
- **Gender Identity:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender identity, e.g., bias against transgender or gender non-conforming individuals.
- **Religion:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons who share the same religious beliefs regarding the origin and purpose of the universe and the existence or nonexistence of a supreme being, e.g., Catholics, Jews, Protestants, atheists.
- **Disability:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their physical or mental impairments, whether such disability is temporary or permanent, congenital or acquired by heredity, accident, injury, advanced age or illness.
- **Sexual Orientation:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their actual or perceived sexual orientation.
- **Ethnicity:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people whose members identify with each other, through a common heritage, often consisting of a common language, common culture (often including a shared religion) and/or ideology that stresses common ancestry.
- **National Origin:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people based on their actual or perceived country of birth.

Hate crime reporting includes the listed Criminal Offenses above (excluding Manslaughter by Negligence) and also includes four additional offenses:

- **Larceny-Theft:** The unlawful taking, carrying, leading or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Examples are thefts of bicycles or automobile accessories, shoplifting, pocket-picking, or the stealing of any property or article that is not taken by force and violence or by fraud. Attempted larcenies are included. Embezzlement, confidence games, forgery, worthless checks, motor vehicle theft, and attempted motor vehicle theft are excluded.
- **Simple Assault:** An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.
- **Intimidation:** To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.
- **Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property:** To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

Before an incident can be classified as a Hate Crime, sufficient objective facts must be
present to lead a reasonable and prudent person to conclude that the offender’s actions were motivated, in whole or in part, by bias.

**VAWA Offenses:**

- **Domestic Violence**: A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed –
  - by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;
  - by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
  - by a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
  - by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred;
  - by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

- **Dating Violence**: Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party’s statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purposes of this definition –
  - dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
  - dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

- **Stalking**: Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to –
  - fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others; or
  - suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purposes of this definition –

- **Course of conduct** means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person’s property.
- **Reasonable person** means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.
- **Substantial emotional distress** means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

**Arrests and Referrals for Disciplinary Action:**
• **Weapons – Carrying, Possessing, etc. Law Violations:** The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices or other deadly weapons. This classification encompasses weapons offenses that are regulatory in nature.

• **Drug Abuse Violations:** The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance. Arrests for violations of state and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing and making of narcotic drugs.

• **Liquor Law Violations:** The violation of state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness.

**Kentucky Minger Act offenses (non-Cler Act statistics):**

• **Menacing:** The definition under Kentucky’s Minger Act is intentionally placing another person in reasonable apprehension of imminent physical injury.

• **Reckless Homicide:** The definition under Kentucky’s Minger Act is recklessly causing the death of another person.

• **Terroristic Threatening/Intimidation:** The definition under Kentucky’s Minger Act is to unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

• **Wanton Endangerment:** The definition under Kentucky’s Minger Act is:
  
  o Wanton Endangerment in the first degree: When under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life, a person wantonly engages in conduct which creates a substantial danger of death or serious physical injury to another person.
  
  o Wanton Endangerment in the second degree: Wantonly engaging in conduct that creates a substantial danger of physical injury to another person.

### 6.3 Reportable Locations and Their Definitions

The *Cler Act* requires institutions to disclose statistics for reported crimes based on *where* the crimes occurred. Western International University discloses statistics for reported *Cler Act* crimes that occur at the following locations. Crimes that don’t occur within the University’s *Cler* geography are not included in the Annual Security Report, even if West students or employees are involved.
“Clery geography:” For the purposes of collecting statistics on crimes for submission to the Department and inclusion in an institution’s annual security report, Clery geography includes:

- Buildings and property that are part of the institution’s campus
- The institution’s noncampus buildings and property
- Public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus

For the purposes of maintaining the crime log required, Clery geography also includes, in addition to the locations above, areas within the patrol jurisdiction of the campus police or the campus security department.

“On Campus:” Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution’s educational purposes, including residence halls; and any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous, that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

“Non Campus:” Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution’s educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

“Public Property:” All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

Western International University includes the following reporting location when it cannot determine whether the statistics obtained from local and/or state law enforcement agencies are for “On Campus” incidents or “Public Property” incidents:

“Reported by Local Police:” Applicable statistics reported by local and state law enforcement not already included in the University Annual Security Report.

6.4 “Unfounded” Crimes

The University will disclose the total number of “unfounded” crimes in its Annual Security Report. On rare occasions, the University may remove a reported crime from its crime statistics. This may only be done when a sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel has fully investigated the reported crime and, based on the results of this full investigation and evidence, had made a formal determination that the crime report is false or baseless and has been determined unfounded. A reported crime cannot be designated “unfounded” if no investigation was conducted or the investigation was not completed. Nor can a crime report be designated unfounded merely because the investigation failed to prove that the crime occurred; this would be an inconclusive or unsubstantiated investigation.
Section VII: University Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies

Western International University values its cooperative relationships with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. In addition to annual consultations for crime statistics reporting, Campus Security Authorities (CSAs) maintain working relationships with local law enforcement, facilitating timely lines of communication in case the authorities need to respond to an incident at a campus location.

Sometimes Western International University may employ contract based off-duty police officers, but currently there is not a formal Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) in place with local or state law enforcement agencies. West does contact at least annually the appropriate authorities for annual crime reporting purposes. In addition, law enforcement agencies are contacted in the event of an emergency on campus that requires their involvement.

On-going, cooperative communications and safety awareness programs may include:

- Inviting local law enforcement officers to participate in events on campus (e.g., annual safety event); or
- Extending courtesy use of unused classroom space during business hours for training functions; or
- Requesting walkthroughs or safety assessments.
Section VII: No Weapons on Campus

No weapons are permitted on campus. The possession of guns, knives, electroshock devices (e.g. TASER) and other forms of weapons by employees, guests and students is prohibited on all premises, including all off-site class areas used for University purposes. This includes replicated weapons (e.g. fake guns, swords, etc.).

With respect to knives on University property; it is acceptable to have a Leatherman or other type of multi-faceted work tool on one’s person.

While some U.S. cities have specific length restrictions as it pertains to the length of the blade, it is acceptable for one to have a small pocket knife, as long as the blade is three (3) inches or less on University property or their person.

It is important to clarify that Western International University will not prohibit an on-duty law enforcement official from bringing their weapon on campus if they are on official police business. The University values its cooperative relationships with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies and has created a no weapons policy exception process for students, faculty and visitors who are qualified active law enforcement officers.

In 18 USC § 926B(c), “qualified law enforcement officer” is defined as an employee of a governmental agency who:

1. is authorized by law to engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of, or the incarceration of any person for, any violation of law, and has statutory powers of arrest, or apprehension under section 807(b) of title 10, United States Code (article 7(b) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice);
2. is authorized by the agency to carry a firearm;
3. is not the subject of any disciplinary action by the agency which could result in suspension or loss of police powers;
4. meets standards, if any, established by the agency which require the employee to regularly qualify in the use of a firearm;
5. is not under the influence of alcohol or another intoxicating or hallucinatory drug or substance; and
6. is not prohibited by Federal law from receiving a firearm.

Some University locations’ building owners may restrict any and all carrying of weapons except for only “on-duty” qualified active law enforcement officers on their private property especially in multi-tenant buildings. Depending on specific state and federal regulations, this policy might be preempted if the building owner posts such a restriction, requiring the CSA to seek further advice before processing a verification request.

Additionally, University Global Security may choose to deploy authorized armed security personnel as needed.

8.1 Uniformed Law Enforcement Officers

Any state or local certified law enforcement officer in uniform (i.e. students, faculty and visitors) may have his/her agency approved firearm on his/her person while on the campus or facility grounds, per the following process.
1. Upon arrival, the officer must approach the University's front desk to sign-in, s/he must show the front desk personnel his/her state-issued police ID, notify the front desk personnel of his/her presence, and state his/her purpose for being on the property.
   a. If the state-issued police ID card is verified, no further action is required.
   b. If the state-issued police ID card cannot be presented or is non-verifiable, the officer will be advised that s/he is not permitted to carry a weapon on campus.

2. In the event the University does not have a front desk area, the uniformed officer should approach a University staff member in the Student Resource Center (if one is on-campus). In rare instances where there is no front desk and no Student Resource Center, the officer will need to contact the CSA.

8.2 Non-Uniformed Law Enforcement Officers

Students and faculty members who are qualified active law enforcement officers (off-duty and in plain clothes) may request to carry his/her agency approved firearm on campus. These requests should be directed to the CSA.

All non-uniformed law enforcement officers (i.e. students, faculty and visitors), wearing an agency approved firearm, are required to sign-in at the University's front desk (or other designated location) each and every time they arrive on campus. The non-uniformed officer must also be prepared to show front desk personnel his/her state-issued police ID card. If the state-issued police ID card cannot be presented or is non-verifiable, the officer will be advised that s/he is not permitted to carry a weapon on campus.

8.2.1 Request Process for Students

1. Student requests to the CSA must include a letter of authorization from the commanding officer/supervisor of the department regarding the requirement to carry his/her weapon, while off-duty.
   a. The letter must be provided on department letterhead, signed by the commanding officer/supervisor of the department, and must confirm that the student is in fact a qualified active law enforcement officer whose job requires carrying a weapon while off-duty.
2. The CSA will provide this letter to the Global Security Operations Center (GSOC) for verification.
3. The CSA will notify the student once the request is approved or denied.
4. Approved student must sign in at the front desk upon arrival.
5. Every two (2) years students who have been approved via this process must re-verify with the CSA by showing their state-issued police ID card.
   a. If the CSA is not able to verify the state-issued police ID card, the student will no longer be permitted to carry a weapon on campus.

NOTE: If the CSA denies the request or an individual does not actually need to carry the weapon while off-duty, the student may instead secure the weapon in his or her vehicle while on campus.

8.2.2 Request Process for Faculty Members
1. A faculty member who is a qualified active law enforcement officer will need to contact the CSA and request to carry his/her weapon on campus.
   a. A faculty member who is an inactive (e.g. retired) law enforcement officer and requests to carry his or her weapon on campus will be denied.
2. The faculty member must show the CSA his/her state-issued police ID card.
   a. If the CSA verifies the state-issued police ID card, no further action is required.
   b. If the state-issued police ID card is non-verifiable, the faculty member will be advised by the CSA that s/he is not permitted to carry a weapon on campus.
3. Approved faculty must sign in at the front desk upon arrival.
4. The CSA will collect the following information from faculty members who have been verified to carry a weapon on campus: Direct supervisor’s name, badge/employee number and the expiration date on the state-issued police ID card, if available.
   a. If a faculty member’s state-issued police ID card references an expiration date, s/he will need to re-verify with the CSA prior to the noted expiration date.
Section IX: Policies and Programs Concerning Alcohol and Other Drugs

Western International University has a “Zero-Tolerance” policy regarding the unlawful use, sale, possession or distribution of illegal drugs and alcohol on University property, or as part of any University activity. Misconduct violations relating to the Student, Faculty and/or Employee Codes of Conduct are subject to disciplinary sanctions. Consequences for inappropriate behavior can be severe, up to and including dismissal from the University. If any individual is apprehended for violating any alcohol or other drug related law while at a University location or activity, the University will fully cooperate with federal and state law enforcement agencies. The University abides by federal Drug-Free Workplace and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act regulations regardless of individual state legalization.

The University has established specific courses of action regarding alcohol and other drug abuse and has steps in place to prevent abuse and generate awareness:

- Each year, all students, faculty and staff receive notification, to include the location, of University policy Handbooks, Campus Safety Policies and the University’s Consumer Information Guide.

- Campus Safety Policies are available to all students, faculty and staff on the public University website or upon request.

- Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to report instances of abuse:
  - Students can report to faculty, the local Campus Security Authority (CSA), or on their end of course survey.
  - Faculty can report concerns through Academic Affairs, local CSA, or end of course surveys.
  - Staff, including faculty, can report issues to their immediate supervisors, by contacting Human Resources or via the Ethics Helpline at 1-888-310-9569 or online at www.apollohelpline.com.

- Alcohol-related advertising or promotions are not permitted on campus.

- The local CSA maintains a list of local treatment facilities as well as alcohol and other drug abuse counseling resources for individuals and their family members. The CSA’s contact information is available at http://west.edu/campus-safety and is communicated on posters in every classroom and throughout common areas on campus.

- Employee benefits and student assistance programs offer resources to assist with alcohol and other drug addiction related issues.

- The University conducts a biennial review of its program to:
  - Determine its effectiveness and implement changes to the program if they are needed.
  - Ensure that its disciplinary sanctions are consistent and enforced.
9.1 **Alcohol and Other Drugs Prevention and Counseling Services**

The University provides at least two annual safety education events. The first covers topics relevant to the safety of the campus community and its surrounding area. A second event includes sexual assault awareness and prevention. This program may involve how alcohol and other drug use may impact the risk of sexual assault. Please contact the CSA for information on where and when these education events will occur.

**Student Resources**
The University also offers substance abuse and various counseling services to all currently enrolled students via the Student Assistance Program. The Student Assistance Program offers services at no cost that are confidential, available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, and accessible by calling (877)847-4532 or accessing the student website.

**Employee Resources**
Western International University provides an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) as an employee benefit. All employees have access to EAP whether or not they obtain other benefits through the University. Information about the program is available at all times through the Your Total Rewards site at [http://resources.hewitt.com/apollogroup/](http://resources.hewitt.com/apollogroup/) or on the Apollo Resource Center (ARC) under the “Support & Resources” tab. This service provides referral services and treatment sessions as needed. Calls and online inquiries are tracked by category. Employees enrolled in health care plans can obtain additional substance abuse benefits, including outpatient and inpatient services through providers contracted with their health care plan.

**National Resources**
We encourage *anyone* dealing with substance abuse issues (not just our employees and students) to also contact national agencies for guidance and assistance in identifying a counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation program. Support is always available with confidentiality and discretion! One need only ask.

- **Alcoholics Anonymous** [http://www.aa.org/](http://www.aa.org/)
- **Cocaine Anonymous** [https://ca.org/](https://ca.org/)
- **National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (800)NCA-Call (622-2255)** [https://ncadd.org/](https://ncadd.org/)
- **National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism** [http://niaaa.nih.gov/](http://niaaa.nih.gov/)
- **National Institute on Drug Abuse (800)662-HELP (662-4357)** [https://www.drugabuse.gov/](https://www.drugabuse.gov/)
- **The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s (SAMHSA) Substance Abuse Treatment Facility Locator** [https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/locator](https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/locator)

Even if you do not want to speak with a counselor or referral service, you may also access the following free information and educational videos to further educate yourself on alcohol and other drug abuse.
9.2 Health Risks of Alcohol and Other Drugs

The health consequences of alcohol and other drugs depend on the frequency, duration, and the intensity of use and can include both physical and psychological effects.

Overdose is a risk for all drugs. It can result in coma, convulsions, psychosis or death. Combinations of certain drugs, such as alcohol and barbiturates, can be lethal. The purity and strength of doses of illegal drugs are uncertain.

Continued use of substances can lead to tolerance (requiring more and more of a drug to get the same effect), dependence (physical or psychological need), or withdrawal (painful, difficult and dangerous symptoms when stopping the use of drugs).

Long-term use of drugs can lead to malnutrition, organ damage, and psychological problems. The risk of AIDS and other diseases increases if drugs are injected.

The consumption of alcohol or other drugs when pregnant may cause abnormalities in babies.

9.3 Physical and Psychological Dependence and Effects of Specific Drugs

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<th>DRUGS</th>
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<th>POSSIBLE EFFECTS</th>
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<tr>
<td>Opium, Morphine, Heroin, Hydro morphine, M</td>
<td>High</td>
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<td>Euphoria, drowsiness, depression, constricted pupils, nausea</td>
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<td>Merperdine/Pethidine</td>
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<td>Codeine</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
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<td>Methadone</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>High-Low</td>
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<td>Other Narcotics</td>
<td>High-Low</td>
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<td>Chlordiazepines</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Slurred speech, disorientation, drunken behavior without odor of alcohol</td>
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<td>Barbiturates</td>
<td>High-Mod</td>
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<td>Benzodiazepines</td>
<td>Low</td>
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<td>Methaqualone, Glutethimide</td>
<td>High</td>
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<td>Cocaine/Crack, Amphetamines,</td>
<td>Possible</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Increased alertness,</td>
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<td>Drug Class</td>
<td>Risk Level 1</td>
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<td>Phenmatrazine, Methylphenidate, Other Stimulants</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Excitation, Increased pulse rate and blood pressure, insomnia, loss of appetite</td>
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<td>LSD, Mescaline, Peyote, Other Hallucinogens</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Illusions and hallucinations, poor perception of time and distance</td>
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<td>Phencyclidine</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
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<td>Phencyclidine Analogues</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
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<td>Marijuana, Hashish, Hashish Oil</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Euphoria, relaxed inhibitions, increased appetite, disoriented behaviors</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tetrahydrocannabinis</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Euphoria, relaxed inhibitions, increased appetite, disoriented behaviors</td>
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<td>Anabolic Steroids</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>Kidney and liver damage, heart failure</td>
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<tr>
<td>Alcohol</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Reduced coordination and alertness, large doses can cause unconsciousness, hypothermia, respiratory arrest, death.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inhalants</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Nausea, damage to organs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nicotine</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Cancer</td>
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<tr>
<td>Caffeine</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Nausea, diarrhea, trebling</td>
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9.4 Standards of Conduct

The University’s Codes of Conduct clearly state that the unlawful manufacture, sale, delivery, unauthorized possession, or use of any illicit drug is prohibited on property owned or otherwise controlled by the University. The University enforces a “Zero Tolerance” policy regarding underage drinking.

If any individual is apprehended for violating any alcohol or other drug related law while at a University location or activity, the University will fully cooperate with federal and state law enforcement agencies.
9.5 **Sanctions the University Will Impose for Alcohol or Other Drugs Violations**

The University abides by local, state and federal sanctions regarding unlawful possession of drugs and the unlawful consumption of alcohol. Any member of the University community found consuming or selling alcohol and other drugs on University property is subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the University, depending on the seriousness of the situation.

9.6 **Federal Penalties and Sanctions for Illegal Trafficking and Possession of a Controlled Substance**

These are Federal penalties and sanctions. Additional State penalties and sanctions may also apply.

### FEDERAL TRAFFICKING PENALTIES


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<td>II</td>
<td>Cocaine 500-4999 grams mixture</td>
<td>First Offense: Not less than 5 yrs. and not more than 40 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine of not more than $5 million if an individual, $25 million if not an individual.</td>
<td>Cocaine 5 kilograms or more mixture</td>
<td>First Offense: Not less than 10 yrs. and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine of not more than $10 million if an individual, $50 million if not an individual.</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Cocaine Base 28-279 grams mixture</td>
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<td>Cocaine Base 280 grams or more mixture</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Fentanyl 40-399 grams mixture</td>
<td>First Offense: Not less than 10 yrs. and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine of not more than $5 million if an individual, $25 million if not an individual.</td>
<td>Fentanyl 400 grams or more mixture</td>
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<td>I</td>
<td>Fentanyl Analogue 10-99 grams mixture</td>
<td>Second Offense: Not less than 10 yrs. and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than $8 million if an individual, $50 million if not an individual.</td>
<td>Fentanyl Analogue 100 grams or more mixture</td>
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<td>I</td>
<td>Heroin 100-999 grams mixture</td>
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<td>Heroin 1 kilogram or more mixture</td>
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<td>I</td>
<td>LSD 1-9 grams mixture</td>
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<td>LSD 10 grams or more mixture</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Methamphetamine 5-49 grams pure or 50-499 grams mixture</td>
<td>Second Offense: Not less than 20 yrs. and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than $20 million if an individual, $75 million if not an individual.</td>
<td>Methamphetamine 50 grams or more pure or 500 grams or more mixture</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>PCP 10-99 grams pure or 100-999 grams mixture</td>
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<td>PCP 100 grams or more pure or 1 kilogram or more mixture</td>
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**2 or More Prior Offenses:** Life imprisonment. Fine of not more than $20 million if an individual, $75 million if not an individual.
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<td>Any Amount Of Other Schedule I &amp; II Substances</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than Life. Fine $1 million if an individual, $5 million if not an individual.</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not more than 20 yrs. or more than Life. Fine $2 million if an individual, $10 million if not an individual.</td>
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<td>Any Drug Product Containing Gamma Hydroxybutyric Acid</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 10 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not more than 15 yrs. Fine not more than $500,000 if an individual, $2.5 million if not an individual.</td>
<td><strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not more than 30 yrs. Fine not more than $1 million if an individual, $5 million if not an individual.</td>
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<td>Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV) 1 Gram or less</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than $250,000 if an individual, $1 million if not an individual.</td>
<td><strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not more than 10 yrs. Fine not more than $500,000 if an individual, $2 million if not an individual.</td>
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<td>Any Amount Of Other Schedule III Drugs</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 10 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not more than 20 yrs. Fine not more than $5 million if an individual, $10 million if not an individual.</td>
<td><strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious injury, not more than 30 yrs. Fine not more than $1 million if an individual, $5 million if not an individual.</td>
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<td>Any Amount Of All Other Schedule IV Drugs (other than one gram or more of Flunitrazepam)</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 1 yr. Fine not more than $100,000 if an individual, $250,000 if not an individual.</td>
<td><strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not more than 4 yrs. Fine not more than $200,000 if an individual, $500,000 if not an individual.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Any Amount Of All Schedule V Drugs</td>
<td><strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 1 yr. Fine not more than $100,000 if an individual, $250,000 if not an individual.</td>
<td><strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not more than 4 yrs. Fine not more than $200,000 if an individual, $500,000 if not an individual.</td>
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**Federal Trafficking Penalties for Marijuana, Hashish and Hashish Oil, Schedule I Substances**

<p>| Marijuana 1,000 kilograms or more marijuana mixture or 1,000 or more marijuana plants | <strong>First Offense</strong>: Not less than 10 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs., or more than life. Fine not more than $10 million if an individual, $50 million if other than an individual. | <strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine not more than $20 million if an individual, $75 million if other than an individual. |
| Marijuana 100 to 999 kilograms marijuana mixture or 100 to 999 marijuana plants  | <strong>First Offense</strong>: Not less than 5 yrs. or more than 40 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine not more than $5 million if an individual, $25 million if other than an individual. | <strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not less than 10 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine not more than $8 million if an individual, $50 million if other than an individual. |
| Marijuana 50 to 99 kilograms marijuana mixture, 50 to 99 marijuana plants | <strong>First Offense</strong>: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine $1 million if an individual, $5 million if other than an individual. | <strong>Second Offense</strong>: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine $5 million if an individual, $25 million if other than an individual. |</p>
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<td>Hashish Oil</td>
<td>More than 1 kilogram</td>
<td>First Offense: Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than $250,000, $1 million if other than an individual.</td>
<td>Second Offense: Not more than 10 yrs. Fine $500,000 if an individual, $2 million if other than an individual.</td>
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<td>Marijuana</td>
<td>less than 50 kilograms marijuana</td>
<td>First Offense: Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than $250,000, $1 million if other than an individual.</td>
<td>Second Offense: Not more than 10 yrs. Fine $500,000 if an individual, $2 million if other than an individual.</td>
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<td>(but does not include 50 or more marijuana plants regardless of weight)</td>
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<td>1 to 49 marijuana plants</td>
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<td>Hashish Oil</td>
<td>1 kilogram or less</td>
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<td>Hashish</td>
<td>10 kilograms or less</td>
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<td>More than 10 kilograms</td>
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<td>Second Offense: Not more than 30 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine $2 million if an individual, $10 million if other than an individual.</td>
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Section X: Sexual Violence Policy and Prevention

Western International University is committed to creating and maintaining a community in which students, faculty, and staff work in an atmosphere free from all forms of harassment, exploitation, intimidation or violence. The University regards all forms of or attempts at sexual assault or misconduct as serious offenses that may result in suspension, required withdrawal, expulsion, or termination of employment. Every University campus has personal safety and sexual assault prevention programs in place and follows established procedures for reporting violations of University policy and state/federal law, including contacting local law enforcement personnel and assisting alleged victims.

No officer, employee, or agent of the University shall retaliate, intimidate, threaten, coerce, or otherwise discriminate against any individual for exercising their rights or responsibilities under Title IX of the Education Amendments or the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA).

Victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking are encouraged to report offenses to the Campus Security Authority (CSA) and/or Title IX Coordinator (contact information available at: http://west.edu/campus-safety.html) and to exercise their rights, if desired, including:

- Reporting offenses to proper local law enforcement, campus safety personnel, and health officials.
- Preserving evidence that may assist in obtaining a protection order or prove an offense occurred.
- Receiving appropriate counseling referral information.
- Receiving information on services for health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, and student financial aid.
- Completing crime reports.
- Changing academic and work situations (e.g., student’s course schedule; employee’s work environment).
- Applying for judicial no-contact, restraining, or protective orders.
- Accuser and accused must have the same opportunity to have others, such as a support person or witnesses, present during an institutional disciplinary proceeding.
- Receiving as the right of both the accuser and the accused the outcome of any institutional disciplinary proceeding that is brought alleging any crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the crime or offense, the institution must provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim’s next of kin, if so requested.

To request these options and assistance, please contact the CSA and/or Title IX Coordinator. The University does not provide housing or transportation services to/from campus. However,
the Security office will provide an onsite escort service within the confines of the Local Campus to the parking facility if requested.

The University will provide a “Victim’s Bill of Rights” written notification any time a student, staff member or faculty member reports they have been a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, *whether the offense occurred on or off campus*. The CSA and/or Title IX Coordinator will assist the victim with exercising his/her rights including accommodations or protective measures if the victim requests them and if they are reasonably available, *regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to authorities*. The victim has the option to notify proper law enforcement, be assisted by campus authorities with this process if they choose, and the option to decline notifying authorities. These rights and options are detailed in the “Victim’s Bill of Rights” provided in writing to the victim. The CSA or Title IX Coordinator can provide information for local authorities.

Western International University will maintain the confidentiality and protect the privacy of any complainant and other necessary parties and witnesses to the maximum extent possible. Please refer to Section 10.6.1 for additional details

**10.1 Definitions**

West supports students from many states, we have adopted consistent definitions for the University to apply overall which may vary from individual jurisdiction definitions in which we operate unless required by law.

- **Advisor**: Any individual who provides the accuser or accused support, guidance, or advice

- **Awareness programs**: Institutional action designed to communicate the prevalence of sexual violence, including without limitation training, poster and flyer campaigns, electronic communications, films, guest speakers, symposia, conferences, seminars, or panel discussions.

- **Bystander intervention**: Safe and positive options that may be carried out by an individual or individuals to prevent harm or intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. “Bystander intervention” includes without limitation the act of challenging the social norms that support, condone, or permit sexual violence.

  **Bystander intervention includes:**
  - recognizing situations of potential harm;
  - understanding institutional structures and cultural conditions that facilitate violence;
  - overcoming barriers to intervening;
  - identifying safe and effective intervention options; and
  - taking actions to intervene.

- **Complainant** means a student, employee, faculty, visitor or other third party who files a complaint alleging violation of the comprehensive policy through the higher education institution’s complaint resolution procedure.
• **Comprehensive policy** means a policy created and implemented by a higher education institution to address student allegations of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

• **Confidential advisor** means a person who is employed or contracted by a higher education institution to provide emergency and ongoing support to student survivors of sexual violence with training, duties, and responsibilities.

• **Consent** in this policy means the equal approval, given freely, willingly, and knowingly of each participant to desired sexual involvement. Consent is an affirmative, conscious decision – indicated clearly by words or actions – to engage in mutually accepted sexual contact and can be withdrawn at any time. A person forced to engage in sexual contact by force, threat of force, or coercion has not consented to contact. Lack of mutual consent is the crucial factor in any sexual assault. A person’s lack of verbal or physical resistance or submission resulting from the use or threat of force does not constitute consent. Consent is not given by a person’s manner of dress or past sexual activity. A person’s consent to engage in sexual activity with one person does not constitute consent to engage in sexual activity with another. Consent CANNOT be given if a person is unable to understand the nature of the activity or give knowing consent. Consent cannot be given if a person’s ability to resist or consent is substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition, if there is a significant age or perceived power differential, or due to the circumstances. Examples include, but are not limited to being:
  
  o Asleep or unconscious,
  o Underage,
  o Frightened,
  o Physically or psychologically pressured or forced,
  o Intimidated,
  o Substantially impaired because of a psychological health condition,
  o Substantially impaired because of voluntary intoxication,
  o Substantially impaired because of the deceptive administering of any drug, intoxicant or controlled substance,
  o Incapacitated due to the use or influence of alcohol or drugs, or
  o Incapacitated due to a mental disability.

• **“Without consent”** for the purposes of this policy includes any of the following:
  
  o The victim is coerced by the immediate use or threatened use of force against a person or property.
  o The victim is incapable of consent by reason of mental disorder, mental defect, drugs, alcohol, sleep or any other similar impairment of cognition and such condition is known or should have reasonably been known to the defendant. For purposes of this subdivision, “mental defect” means the victim is unable to comprehend the distinctively sexual nature of the conduct or is incapable of understanding or exercising the right to refuse to engage in the conduct with another.
  o The victim is intentionally deceived as to the nature of the act.
  o The victim is intentionally deceived to erroneously believe that the person is the victim’s spouse.
• **Dating Violence:** Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim.

The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purposes of this definition –
  - Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
  - Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.
  - Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

• **Domestic Violence:** A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed
  - By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;
  - By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
  - By a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
  - By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred;
  - By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

• **Gender-based harassment:** Unwelcome conduct of a nonsexual nature based on a person’s actual or perceived sex, including conduct based on gender identity, gender expression, and nonconformity with gender stereotypes.

• **Gender Expression:** The manner in which a person represents or expresses gender to others, often through behavior, clothing, hairstyles, activities, voice, or mannerisms.

• **Gender identity** refers to an individual’s internal sense of gender. A person’s gender identity may be different from or the same as the person’s sex assigned at birth.

• **Gender transition** refers to the process in which transgender individuals begin asserting the sex that corresponds to their gender identity instead of the sex they were assigned at birth. During gender transition, individuals begin to live and identify as the sex consistent with their gender identity and may dress differently, adopt a new name, and use pronouns consistent with their gender identity. Transgender individuals may undergo gender transition at any stage of their lives, and gender transition can happen swiftly or over a long duration of time.

• **Hostile Environment:** A “hostile environment” exists when sex-based harassment is sufficiently serious to deny or limit the person’s ability to participate in or benefit from the University’s programs or activities. A hostile environment can be created by anyone involved in a University’s program or activity (e.g., administrators, faculty members, students, and campus visitors).
Incapacitation: A person does not have the capacity to give consent if they are: asleep; injured in a way that prohibits the ability to consent; mental or cognitive impairment; drug or alcohol use that has rendered the person unable to consent.

Ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns: Programming, initiatives, and strategies that are sustained over time and focus on increasing the understanding of topics relevant to and skills for addressing dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, using a range of strategies with audiences throughout the institution and including information used to describe primary prevention and awareness programs at the institution.

Primary prevention programs: Programming, initiatives and strategies informed by research or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome that are intended to stop dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking before they occur through the promotion of positive and healthy behaviors that foster healthy, mutually respectful relationships and sexuality, encourage safe bystander intervention, and seek to change behavior and social norms in healthy and safe directions. Institutional action and strategies may include without limitation training, poster and flyer campaigns, electronic communications, films, guest speakers, symposia, conferences, seminars, or panel discussions.

Proceeding: All activities related to a non-criminal resolution of an institutional disciplinary complaint, including, but not limited to, fact finding investigations, formal or informal meetings, and hearings.

- Proceeding does not include communications and meetings between officials and victims concerning accommodations or protective measures to be provided to a victim.

Programs to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking: Comprehensive, intentional, and integrated programming, initiatives, strategies, and campaigns intended to end dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking that are:

- culturally relevant,
- inclusive of diverse communities and identities,
- sustainable,
- responsive to community needs,
- informed by research or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome, and
- consider environmental risk and protective factors as they occur on the individual, relationship, institutional, community, and societal levels.

Programs to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking must include primary prevention and awareness programs directed at all incoming students and new employees and ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns directed at all current students and employees.

Prompt, fair, and impartial proceeding: A proceeding that is completed within reasonably prompt timeframes designated by an institution’s policy, including a process
that allows for the extension of timeframes for good cause, with written notice to the
accuser and the accused; and if there is an extension then there should be a written
notice to the accuser and the accused of the delay and the reason for the delay;
  o Conducted in a manner that:
    ▪ Is consistent with the institution’s policies and transparent to the accuser
      and the accused;
    ▪ Includes timely notice of meetings at which the accuser or accused, or
      both, may be present; and
    ▪ Provides timely and equal access to the accuser, the accused, and
      appropriate officials to any information that will be used during informal
      and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings; and
  o Conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against
    the accuser or the accused.

• **Respondent**: A student, employee, faculty, visitor or other third party involved in the
  complaint resolution procedure who has been accused of violating a higher education
  institution’s comprehensive policy.

• **Result**: Any initial, interim, and final decision by any official or entity authorized to
  resolve disciplinary matters within the institution. The result must include any sanctions
  imposed by the institution. Notwithstanding section 444 of the General Education
  Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g), commonly referred to as the Family Educational
  Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the result must also include the rationale for the result
  and the sanctions.

• **Risk reduction**: Options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction;
  increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety; and help individuals and
  communities address conditions that facilitate violence.

• **Sex assigned at birth**: The sex designation recorded on an infant’s birth certificate
  should such a record be provided at birth.

• **Sex-based harassment**: Includes sexual harassment and gender-based harassment.

• **Sexual Assault (Sex Offenses)**: Any sexual act directed against another person,
  without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving
  consent:

  o **Fondling** – The touching of the private body parts of another person for the
    purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including
    instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age
    or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
  o **Incest** – Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other
    within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
  o **Rape** – The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any
    body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without
    the consent of the victim. This offense includes the rape of both males and
    females.
- **Statutory Rape** – Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

- **Sexual Exploitation**: Occurs when a person takes sexual advantage of another person for the benefit of anyone other than that person without that person’s consent. Examples of behavior that could rise to the level of sexual exploitation include: prostituting another person; recording or distributing images (e.g., video photograph) or audio of another person’s sexual activity, intimate body parts, or nakedness without that person’s consent; viewing another person’s sexual activity, intimate body parts, or nakedness in a place where that person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy, without that person’s consent.

- **Sexual Harassment**: Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature, including but not limited to unwelcome sexual advances; requests for sexual favors; or other verbal or nonverbal conduct of a sexual nature, including rape, sexual assault, and sexual exploitation. In addition, depending on the facts, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking may also be forms of sexual harassment.

- **Sexual Misconduct**: Sexual misconduct is defined as any prohibited conduct based on sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, or perceived sexual orientation, gender, gender identity/expression. This prohibited conduct includes sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

- **Sexual violence**: Physical sexual acts attempted or perpetrated against a person’s will or when a person is incapable of giving consent, including without limitation rape, sexual assault, sexual battery, sexual abuse, and sexual coercion.

- **Stalking**: Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to

  - Fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others; or
  - Suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purposes of this definition:

1. **Course of conduct** means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person’s property.
2. **Reasonable person** means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.
3. **Substantial emotional distress** means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.
4. Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.
5. Incidents of Stalking are based on the first location within the institution’s Clery Act geography in which either the perpetrator engaged in the Stalking course of conduct or the victim first became aware of the Stalking.
• **Survivor** means a student who has experience sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking while enrolled at a higher education institution.

• **Survivor-centered** means a systematic focus on the needs and concerns of a survivor of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that (i) ensures the compassionate and sensitive delivery of services in a nonjudgmental manner; (ii) ensures an understanding of how trauma affects survivor behavior; (iii) maintains survivor safety, privacy, and, if possible, confidentiality; and (iv) recognizes that a survivor is not responsible for the sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking.

• **Transgender** describes those individuals whose gender identity is different from the sex they were assigned at birth. A **transgender male** is someone who identifies as male but was assigned the sex of female at birth; a **transgender female** is someone who identifies as female but was assigned the sex of male at birth.

• **Trauma-informed response** means a response involving an understanding of the complexities of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking through training centered on the neurobiological impact of trauma, the influence of societal myths and stereotypes surrounding sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, and understanding the behavior of perpetrators.

• **Unwelcome Conduct**: Conduct is considered “unwelcome” if the person did not request or invite it and considered the conduct to be undesirable or offensive. Unwelcome conduct may take various forms, including, name-calling, graphic or written statements (including the use of cell phones or the Internet), or other conduct that may be physically threatening, harmful, or humiliating. Unwelcome conduct does not have to include intent to harm, be directed at a specific target, or involve repeated incidents. Unwelcome conduct can involve persons of the same or opposite sex. Participation in the conduct or the failure to complain does not mean that the conduct was welcome. The fact that a person may have welcomed some conduct does not necessarily mean that they welcomed other conduct. Also, the fact that a person requested or invited conduct on one occasion does not mean that the conduct is welcome on a subsequent occasion.

### 10.2 Facts about Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

Sexual assault can happen anywhere, at any time. According to the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN):

- Every 98 seconds, an American is sexually assaulted.
- Only 344 out of every 1,000 sexual assaults are reported to police. That means about 2 out of 3 go unreported.
- 7 out of 10 rapes are committed by someone known to the victim.
- Ages 12-34 are the highest risk years for rape and sexual assault.
- 1 out of every 6 American women has been the victim of an attempted or completed rape in her lifetime (14.8% completed, 2.8% attempted).

According to the National Domestic Violence Hotline:
• On average, 24 people per minute are victims of rape, physical violence or stalking by an intimate partner in the United States - more than 12 million women and men over the course of a year.
• Nearly 3 in 10 women (29%) and 1 in 10 men (10%) in the US have experienced rape, physical violence and/or stalking by a partner and report a related impact on their functioning.

10.3 Bystander Intervention – What Can Bystanders Do?

Bystander intervention includes safe and positive options that may be carried out by an individual or individuals to prevent harm or intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. As a bystander, you can help prevent sexual violence using safe and positive options. According to RAINN, stepping in can make all the difference, but it should never put your own safety at risk:

Create a distraction.
Do what you can to interrupt the situation. A distraction can give the person at risk a chance to get to a safe place.

• Cut off the conversation with a diversion like, “Let’s get pizza, I’m starving,” or “This party is lame. Let’s try somewhere else.”
• Bring out fresh food or drinks and offer them to everyone at the party, including the people you are concerned about.
• Start an activity that draws other people in, like a game, a debate, or a dance party.

Ask directly.
Talk directly to the person who might be in trouble.

• Ask questions like “Who did you come here with?” or “Would you like me to stay with you?”

Refer to an authority.
Sometimes the safest way to intervene is to refer to a neutral party with the authority to change the situation, like a security guard.

• Talk to a security guard or another employee about your concerns. It’s in their best interest to ensure that their patrons are safe, and they will usually be willing to step in.
• Don’t hesitate to call 9-1-1 if you are concerned for someone else’s safety.

Enlist others.
It can be intimidating to approach a situation alone. Enlist another person to support you.

• Ask someone to come with you to approach the person at risk. When it comes to expressing concern, sometimes there is power in numbers.
• Ask someone to intervene in your place. For example, you could ask someone who knows the person at risk to escort them to the bathroom.
• Enlist a friend of the person you’re concerned about. “Your friend looks like they’ve had a lot to drink. Can you check on them?”
Bystanders should also become familiar with the warning signs and red flags of abusive relationships. According to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, there are a few behaviors that you can look out for if you’re beginning to think your partner or a friend’s/family member’s partner is becoming abusive:

- Telling you that you can never do anything right
- Showing jealousy of your friends and time spent away
- Insulting, demeaning or shaming you with put-downs
- Controlling every penny spent in the household
- Looking at you or acting in ways that scare you
- Controlling who you see, where you go, or what you do
- Telling you that you are a bad parent or threatening to harm or take away your children
- Preventing you from working or attending school
- Destroying your property or threatening to hurt or kill your pets
- Intimidating you with guns, knives or other weapons
- Pressuring you to have sex when you don’t want to or do things sexually you’re not comfortable with
- Pressuring you to use drugs or alcohol

10.4 Risk Reduction

Risk reduction includes options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction; increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety; and help individuals and communities address conditions that facilitate violence. Although you cannot completely eliminate the risk of sexual violence, the following tips may reduce your risk. According to RAINN:

- **Know your resources.** Who should you contact if you or a friend needs help? Where should you go? Locate resources such as the Campus Security Authority (CSA). Notice where emergency phones are located on campus, and program the CSA’s number into your cell phone for easy access.
- **Stay alert.** When you’re moving around on campus or in the surrounding neighborhood, be aware of your surroundings. Consider inviting a friend to join you or asking campus security for an escort. Avoid putting headphones in both ears so you can be more aware of your surroundings, especially if you are walking alone.
- **Be careful about posting your location.** Many social media sites, like Facebook and Foursquare, use geolocation to publicly share your location. Consider disabling this function and reviewing other social media settings.
- **Make others earn your trust.** A college environment can foster a false sense of security. They may feel like fast friends, but give people time to earn your trust before relying on them.
- **Think about Plan B.** Spend some time thinking about back-up plans for potentially sticky situations. If your phone dies, do you have a few numbers memorized to get help? Do you have emergency cash in case you can’t use a credit card? Do you have the address to your Local Campus or Learning Center memorized? If you drive, is there a spare key hidden, gas in your car, and a set of jumper cables?
- **Be secure.** Lock your door and windows when you’re asleep and when you leave the room.
• **Trust your instincts.** If you notice something that doesn’t feel right, it probably isn’t.

Technology may also aid with preventing violence before it happens:

• **Circle of 6** – Free app for iPhone and Android makes it quick and easy to reach the 6 people you choose. If you need help getting home or need an interruption, two taps lets your circle know where you are and how they can help. For more information, visit [http://www.circleof6app.com/](http://www.circleof6app.com/).

• **The ASPIRE News App** – ASPIRE News is a free application which contains summaries of top stories in world, sports, and entertainment news, from the When Georgia Smiled: Robin McGraw Foundation (and powered by Yahoo!). Additionally, if someone you know is in an abusive relationship – or if that someone is you – the Help Section of the application contains resources for victims of domestic violence. You can triple tap the top of the application frame/title bar at anytime in order to alert your trusted contacts that you’re in an emergency situation. For more information, visit [https://www.whengeorgiasmiled.org/the-aspire-news-app](https://www.whengeorgiasmiled.org/the-aspire-news-app).

• **myPlan App** – Researchers created myPlan to help women, and the friends who care about them, learn about healthy and unhealthy relationships and find personalized information and resources. For more information, visit [http://www.joinonelove.org/my_plan_app](http://www.joinonelove.org/my_plan_app).

### 10.5 Reporting Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

The victim of sexual violence is encouraged to:

- Get to a safe place.
- Dial 9-1-1, if in immediate danger or seriously injured.
- Accurately and promptly report the incident to the police and pursue criminal charges when the victim of crime elects to or is unable to make such a report.
- Seek medical treatment as soon as possible, including the collection and preservation of evidence that may assist in obtaining a protection order or prove an offense occurred.
- Access the support services provided by the University.
- Report any incident to the CSA and/or Title IX Coordinator.

### 10.6 Sex Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, and Sexual Violence (Title IX)

In accordance with federal law, including Title IX of the Education Amendments, Western International University does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs and activities. The nature of Title IX cases warrant confidentiality due to the content of the cases and the protection of witnesses, as Title IX cases often contain sensitive information. The CSA is responsible to ensure the **Title IX – You are Protected** poster is available in all classrooms and common areas as well.

Individuals, third parties and bystanders with questions, concerns or who wish to file a complaint related to sex discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual violence may contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator:
The University will provide a “Victim’s Bill of Rights” written notification to victims (students, faculty and staff) of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking concerning his/her rights and options, whether the offense occurred on or off campus.

Complainants may receive amnesty for a conduct violation, for example, from University policies prohibiting alcohol and other drug use during an incident of sexual misconduct. Fear of being charged for violating these or other policies should not prohibit a person from reporting an incident of sexual misconduct.

Individuals, third parties and bystanders may also file complaints related to sex discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual violence with:

- Local law enforcement to report a criminal offense of a sexual nature.
- The Ethics Helpline at [http://www.apollohelpline.com](http://www.apollohelpline.com) or by calling 1-888-310-9569. Complaints may be submitted to the Ethics Helpline anonymously. Please note that the Ethics Helpline cannot keep complaints confidential and is required to report any instances of alleged sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator.
- The U.S. Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights (OCR). You can find the appropriate office at [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/addresses.html](http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/addresses.html), or by contacting the OCR Headquarters at 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202-1100, or by calling 800-421-3481.
- Reports can also be made to one of the University’s responsible employees, such as a faculty member, enrollment representative, academic or finance advisor, manager, Campus Security Authority (CSA) or Human Resources Business Partner. All University staff members are “responsible employees.” Please note that responsible employees cannot keep complaints confidential and are required to immediately report any instances of alleged sexual misconduct (including the identities of both the victim and alleged perpetrator) to the Title IX Coordinator.

**10.6.1 Confidentiality**

Western International University will maintain the confidentiality and protect the privacy of any complainant and other necessary parties and witnesses to the maximum extent possible. Confidentiality means that the University will not disclose the identity of the individual reporting the concern or allegation unless it is determined during the course of the investigation that it is unavoidable or that the University is required by law to disclose the information.

Because of laws concerning reporting of sexual violence, colleges and universities cannot guarantee confidentiality to those who report such incidents except where those reports are legally privileged communications. The University will try to protect a victim’s
confidentiality while also recognizing that, in some cases, it may need to disclose some information about a victim to a third party to provide necessary accommodations or protective measures. The details may include, but are not limited to, when and where the misconduct occurred, who the responsible party is, and other details necessary to ensure the safety of the University community. The University will disclose only information that is necessary to provide the accommodations or protective measures and will carefully consider who may have access to this information to minimize the risk to a victim’s confidentiality. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for determining confidentiality on a case by case basis. For questions about a specific situation, please contact TitleIX@west.edu.

Information obtained through the course of a Title IX investigation may be shared with law enforcement, if requested. Reports relating to criminal activity at University locations will be communicated to the CSA for purposes of Clery Act reporting.

Individuals seeking professional counseling will have their information kept in confidence. Even if an individual gives the professional counselor permission to release his or her identity, the counselor may only report the occurrence of the event itself to be included in the Annual Crime Statistics, unless otherwise required by law. The University does not disclose personally identifiable information in its Campus Crime Statistics at http://west.edu/campus-safety or in the public Campus Crime Log.

10.7 Importance of Preserving Evidence

If you or someone you know has been hurt by sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, it is important to preserve evidence. Preserving evidence may be useful in obtaining a protection order or in proceeding with a criminal investigation should you choose to do so. Text messages, records of phone calls, emails, pictures, notes, and gifts can all be pertinent for a report of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking.

After a sexual assault, it is very important that the victim receive medical attention to receive help for physical injuries and to screen for sexually transmitted infection (STI) and pregnancy. It is also strongly recommended for the victim to have a sexual assault forensic exam, sometimes called a “rape kit.” Forensic exams are available to victims free of charge. During this exam, someone specially trained to perform this exam, such as a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE), will collect DNA evidence that can help identify the perpetrator. The victim does not have to agree to a forensic exam to receive treatment, but doing so may give him/her a stronger case against the perpetrator if s/he decides to report the crime now or at a later time. Agreeing to a forensic exam does not require the victim to subsequently file a police report.

Preserving DNA evidence from the assault is important. Even if the victim does not wish to file a police report immediately or is certain he or she will not prosecute, preserving DNA evidence allows the victim to change his or her mind later.

Victims should try to avoid activities that could potentially damage evidence such as:

- Bathing
- Showering
- Using the restroom
- Changing clothes
If a victim has done any of the above activities, s/he can still have a sexual assault forensic exam performed. The victim may want to bring a change of clothes to the hospital or health facility where the exam is going to be performed. In most cases, DNA evidence needs to be collected within 72 hours in order to be analyzed by a crime lab – but a sexual assault forensic exam can reveal other forms of evidence beyond this time frame that can be useful if the victim decides to report. Place your belongings, including the clothes you were wearing, in a paper bag to safely preserve evidence.

To find a location near you that performs sexual assault forensic exams, you may call the National Sexual Assault Hotline at 800-656-HOPE (4673) or talk to your local sexual assault service provider by visiting https://centers.rainn.org/. Sexual assault service providers can also offer information and resources for ongoing support related to sexual violence.

The Campus Safety Team will review on an annual basis the preservation of evidence tips to ensure they meet the current needs of law enforcement and abilities of forensic science.

10.8 **Surviving Sexual Violence**

The University urges victims of sexual violence to seek counseling promptly.

The Student Assistance Program offers services at no cost that are confidential, available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, and accessible by calling (877)847-4532 or accessing the student website.

Western International University provides the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) as an employee benefit. All employees have access to EAP, whether or not they obtain other benefits through the University. Information about the program is always available through the Your Total Rewards site at http://resources.hewitt.com/apollogroup/ or on the Apollo Resource Center (ARC) under the “Support & Resources” tab. This program provides referral services and treatment sessions as needed. Calls and online inquiries are tracked by category. Employees enrolled in health care plans can obtain additional substance abuse benefits, including outpatient and inpatient services.

Victims of sexual assault and their friends and families can also receive free, confidential 24-hour help by calling the National Sexual Assault Hotline at RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network): (800)656-HOPE (4673). Questions or comments may be sent to info@rainn.org. RAINN’s Website is https://www.rainn.org.

Those affected by domestic violence can receive confidential, one-on-one support via the National Domestic Violence Hotline: (800)799-SAFE (7233). Trained advocates are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide crisis intervention, options for next steps and direct connection to resources for immediate safety. The National Domestic Violence Hotline’s Website is http://www.thehotline.org/.

Individuals involved in dating abuse relationships can be connected to local resources and helpful websites through loveisrespect peer advocates at (866)331-9474 or text “loveis” to 22522 (Msg&Data Rates apply on text for help services). Loveisrespect will not ask you for your
Additional information regarding assistance and services for victims of sexual violence can be found in the Counseling and Assistance Resources section.

The CSA can provide additional referral resources within the local area.

10.9 **Sanctions the University May Impose Following an Institutional Disciplinary Determination of Sex Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, or Sexual Violence**

Sexual violence or misconduct violates the standards of conduct expected of every member in the University community. Dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking are criminal acts, subject to criminal and civil penalties under state and federal law. In all cases, the University will cooperate with and support local, state and federal law enforcement. University disciplinary action may include:

- **Employee Violations** –
  - Training – The employee may be required to undergo additional training on Title IX, VAWA and sexual misconduct.
  - Discipline – Documented formal coaching, Discussion Memo, Written Warning, or Termination.

- **Student Violations** –
  - Composition of a self-reflective or academic paper.
  - Completion of the Title IX or VAWA Sanction workshop or another applicable workshop.
  - Suspension.
  - Expulsion.

- **Faculty Violations** –
  - Composition of a self-reflective or academic paper.
  - Completion of the Title IX or VAWA Faculty Performance Module or another applicable faculty workshop.
  - Suspension from teaching.
  - Deactivation as a University faculty member.

10.10 **Procedures for Campus Disciplinary Action in Cases of an Alleged Violation of the University’s Title IX and VAWA Policy**

If the accused is a member of the University community, the incident must be referred for disciplinary action in compliance with established University policies and procedures. The University will promptly, thoroughly and impartially investigate all alleged violations of the University’s Title IX and VAWA policy, from the initial investigation to the final result, in a timely manner while also demonstrating a tactful demeanor that is both approachable and sensitive to the victim. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for the oversight of disciplinary complaints involving sex discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. To file a disciplinary complaint, contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator (http://west.edu/campus-safety.html).

10.10.1 **Investigation Procedures and Protocols**
Investigations are conducted by the Title IX Coordinator or other individuals specifically trained in sexual misconduct disciplinary proceedings who report their findings to the Title IX Coordinator. Investigations may include interviews with complainant(s), respondent(s), witnesses, and other parties who may have knowledge relevant to the investigation. Parties may be interviewed more than once. Investigations also typically include review of any relevant documentation, such as text messages, emails, instant messages, or any other form of communication or documentation. Parties involved in a Title IX investigation may be asked to preserve evidence, including, but not limited to, emails, text messages, or other documents. Knowingly destroying evidence related to a Title IX investigation may be a violation of policy, for which disciplinary action may be taken. Complainants (accusers) and respondents (accused) will be treated without bias during the investigative process. Each will have an opportunity to speak with the investigator, provide witnesses to be interviewed, and provide documentation for the investigator’s review.

The University strives to complete any investigation, hearing, appeal, and any sanctions or actions as a result of the process within sixty (60) days. However, if the process exceeds the sixty (60) day timeframe, the investigator or Title IX Coordinator will contact the complainant and respondent in writing to explain the reason for the delay.

The University will take necessary steps to ensure the safety and well-being of the complainant (accuser) after notice of violation of this Title IX and VAWA policy. These measures should be requested through the Title IX Coordinator. The complainant (accuser) may be allowed to change his or her class schedule (or work schedule if an employee), withdraw from class without financial or academic penalty, or change campuses/modalities. In-class accommodations may also be granted, such as additional time to submit assignments or allowing a test to be taken separately from the class. During the investigation, the University may also take interim measures, such as issuing and enforcing a No Contact Order, removing a student or faculty member from class, interim suspension, changing a student, faculty member, or employee’s schedule or class/work location, or placing an employee on administrative leave. The University will also honor an Order of Protection or No Contact Order entered by a State civil or criminal court.

If a complainant (accuser) reports an instance of sexual misconduct, but will not cooperate in an investigation, an investigation may be terminated prior to conclusion. If an investigation is terminated prior to conclusion, the University will still take steps to limit the effect of the alleged sexual misconduct and prevent its recurrence without initiating formal action against the accused or revealing the identity of the complainant (accuser). Such steps may include, but are not limited to, providing increased monitoring, supervision, or security at locations or activities where the alleged misconduct occurred; providing training and education materials for students, faculty, and employees; revising and publicizing the school’s policies on sexual misconduct; and conducting climate surveys regarding sexual misconduct.

10.10.2 Grievance/Adjudication Procedures
The standard of proof for fact-finding in all Title IX and VAWA proceedings is based on preponderance of the evidence, which means “more likely than not.” This standard will be used for all sexual misconduct proceedings for students, faculty, and staff members.

For **students** and **faculty members**, committees will be comprised of trained individuals who will hear the cases, make factual determinations, and make recommendations to the Title IX Coordinator, who will have the ultimate decision making authority regarding the complaint. The committee will recommend sanctions to the Title IX Coordinator, who will make the final determination. Both parties have the opportunity to appeal the outcome if the party alleges (i) a procedural error occurred, (ii) new information exists that would substantially change the outcome of the finding, or (iii) the sanction is disproportionate with the violation.

For **employees**, the Title IX investigator will make factual determinations and the Title IX Coordinator, in conjunction with Human Resources, will make the ultimate determination. Unlike the process for students and faculty members, committees are not utilized for employee respondents (accused). Employees are permitted to appeal the outcome. Employee appeals are governed by and limited to Step 2 of the Formal Dispute Resolution Policy and Procedure in the Employee Handbook.

If a party involved in a complaint feels that a member of the committee, Human Resources, or the Title IX Coordinator has a conflict of interest, they may raise the issue to the Title IX Coordinator. If it is determined that there is a conflict or bias or the appearance of a conflict or bias, that person will be removed from the process and a qualified proxy will assist.

The complainant (accuser) and respondent (accused) are entitled to the same opportunity to have others present during a disciplinary proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by an advisor of their choice. The University permits each party to have at least one support person present.

Both the complainant (accuser) and respondent (accused) are afforded the same opportunity to address the committee and may answer questions. Each party is given up to ten minutes to speak to the committee. Committees are conducted telephonically and the parties will not have the opportunity to cross examine or question one another or the committee members. However, the complainant (accuser) and respondent (accused) may, at the discretion and direction of the committee, suggest questions to be posed by the committee. The complainant (accuser) and respondent (accused) may not be compelled to testify in the presence of the other party. If a party invokes this right, the University will provide an opportunity for each party to hear the other party’s testimony if requested. Parties are able to present evidence for the committee’s review; however, this evidence may not include sexual history of the complainant. Evidence of a prior consensual dating or sexual relationship does not imply consent or preclude a finding of sexual misconduct.

If a committee is convened, both the complainant (accuser) and respondent (accused) are notified within 7 days simultaneously and in writing of: the outcome of the proceeding; appeal procedures; any change to the result before it becomes final; and when the result will become final. The University will be responsible to document how each party is notified of the determination and ensure that the application is consistent...
and comparable for both parties. Compliance with the provisions does not constitute a violation 20 U.S.C. 1232g, commonly known as the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Sanctions and protective measures will be applied following a final determination of an institutional disciplinary proceeding regarding rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other forcible or non-forcible sex offenses.

At least 8 to 10 hours of tailored Title IX and VAWA training is conducted for the Title IX Coordinator and members of the Title IX Committee on an annual basis so these individuals know how to investigate and conduct hearings in a manner that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability as well as how to respond effectively to situations involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

10.11 Educational Programs – Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Awareness

The University prohibits the crimes of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking and provides ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns for all incoming students and new employees. At minimum, two annual safety education events are offered. The first program will cover any topic relevant to the safety of that campus community and its surrounding area, such as active shooter, crime reduction, neighborhood crime watch, etc. A second program focuses on sexual assault awareness and prevention to include prevention of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and awareness of rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This program will address how alcohol and other drug use could impact the risk of sexual assault. Students, faculty and staff will be invited to attend these educational programs.

The University’s primary prevention programs include:

- Title IX Training available via MyWest. Students and faculty may review and acknowledge the Title IX Training each year. The Title IX training includes what Title IX is, the University’s responsibilities under Title IX, what behaviors are covered under Title IX, what rights and protections are granted under Title IX, how to report a Title IX concern, and possible sanctions if a violation of Title IX is found.

- Employee Sexual Harassment Awareness training must be completed by all new employees upon hire (within 90 days). Once hired, all employees must complete Employee Sexual Harassment Awareness training on a bi-annual basis.

The University’s ongoing prevention and awareness programs include:

- Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention training is available at all times online via MyWest to students and faculty. The training can be accessed by clicking on the “Resources” at the top of the MyWest homepage, under the “Other Resources” heading. This training includes:
  - the definitions of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and consent, in reference to sexual activity;
  - the University’s stance that it prohibits the crimes of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking;
  - safe and positive options for bystander intervention and risk reduction;
- resources for survivors; and
- information how alcohol and other drug use could impact the risk of sexual assault.

- Title IX – Responsible Employee Training is available to employees at all times on the Apollo Resource Center (ARC). Created by the Clery Center for Security on Campus and the Victim Rights Law Center, this training video features the voices of sexual violence survivors and is designed to help faculty and staff better understand their role as “responsible employees” under Title IX.

- The University offers information on sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking along with various resources and counseling services to all currently enrolled students via the Student Assistance Program, directly accessible from the online student MyWest website. The Student Assistance Program offers services at no cost that are confidential, available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, and accessible by calling (877)847-4532 or accessing the student website.

- The University provides an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) as an employee benefit. All employees have access to EAP whether or not they obtain other benefits through the University. Information about the program is available at all times through the Your Total Rewards site at http://resources.hewitt.com/apollogroup/ or on ARC under the “Support & Resources” tab. This service provides information on sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking along with referral services and treatment sessions as needed.

- Poster and Email Campaign: Posters are periodically placed in public areas of the campus to alert students and staff for personal safety and theft concerns. Also, emails and newsletter alerts provide awareness of various important topics such as sexual assault, personal safety, theft, incidents and alcohol and other drugs information.

- University community members may contact the CSA to learn about additional educational programs and dates/times they will be offered at the Campus related to these topics.

- Security Escort Service: The security office will provide an escort service within the confines of the campus to the parking facility, if requested.

- Persona Non Grata – A trespass notice may be issued for individuals who have violated University policy or who have demonstrated that they present a threat to anyone in the University community. Violators can be arrested for trespass.
Section XI: Sex Offender Registry

11.1  Sex Offender Registry

The Western International University Campus Safety website provides a link to the public national websites at http://www.sexoffender.com and http://www.nsopw.gov. Sex Offenders who are required to register in a state must provide notice to each institution of higher education in that state at which the offender is employed or is a student. This notice should be directed to the local Campus Security Authority (CSA).

11.2  Reporting Convicted Sex Offenders

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act (section 1601 of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000-Pub. L. 106-386) provides minimum national standards for state sex offender registration and community notification programs. This act requires states to obtain information concerning registered sex offenders’ enrollment or employment at institutions of higher education.
Section XII: University Enrollment and Employment

12.1 Enrollment

Like many institutions of higher learning, Western International University has an open enrollment policy and does not discriminate based on an applicant’s criminal convictions. By law, however, students must disclose criminal convictions when applying for Title IV Federal Financial Assistance.

12.1.1 Total Enrollment

Total enrollment for Western International University can be found at http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/.

12.2 Student Housing

Western International University does not provide student housing on any of its locations.

12.3 Employment

Staff and faculty must pass a background investigation and have their criminal record checked before employment at Western International University.

12.4 Student Organizations

University-approved student organizations are monitored and approved by their respective academic colleges or Academic Affairs. Sororities and fraternities, however, are not supported. All meetings of student organizations must be held on University property and during hours when security personnel are present to monitor any safety or security issues.
Contacting the Campus Security Authority

Western International University has a Campus Security Authority (CSA) whose contact information can be found on the west.edu Campus Safety page: [http://west.edu/campus-safety](http://west.edu/campus-safety).

The CSA will assist all students, faculty and staff who are victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking or any crime with locating or notifying the appropriate local law enforcement authorities if the victim requests the assistance of these personnel.

In addition to receiving reports of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the CSA and/or Title IX Coordinator will provide a “Victim’s Bill of Rights” written notification to victims (students, faculty and staff), whether the offense occurred on or off campus, about the following services available:

- Reporting offenses to proper local law enforcement, campus safety personnel and health officials
- Preserving evidence that may assist in obtaining a protection order or prove an offense occurred
- Receiving appropriate counseling referral information
- Receiving information on services for health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, and student financial aid. Please see the section Counseling and Assistance Resources.
- Completing crime reports
- Changing academic and work situations (e.g., student’s course schedule; employee’s work environment)
- Applying for judicial no-contact, restraining or protective orders
- Accuser and accused must have the same opportunity to have others, such as a support person or witnesses, present during an institutional disciplinary proceeding.
- Receiving, as the right of both the accuser and the accused, the outcome of any institutional disciplinary proceeding that is brought alleging any crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the crime or offense, the institution must provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim’s next of kin, if so requested.

To request these options and assistance, please contact the CSA and/or Title IX Coordinator.

Federal law prohibits retaliation, discrimination and harassment against any individual who reports a crime or raises concerns regarding civil rights to the University.
Counseling and Assistance Resources

Assistance and Services for Victims of Sexual Violence

1in6
1in6 offers an “Online SupportLine” for men and for people who care about them, who are seeking immediate information and resources related to unwanted or abusive sexual experiences in childhood. Services include referrals to resources in your area, crisis intervention and support, and information about the criminal justice system, and what you might expect if you report the abuse. For more information, visit https://hotline.rainn.org/1in6/terms-of-service.jsp.

Casa de Esperanza
Casa de Esperanza is a Latina organization. Part of their work involves providing immigrant Latinas effective services. If you are an immigrant woman experiencing domestic violence or if you know someone in that situation, call the 24-hour, bilingual domestic violence helpline at 651-722-1611 or send an email to info@casadeesperanza.org. For more information, visit https://www.casadeesperanza.org/.

Clery Center
The Clery Center is a national nonprofit dedicated to helping college and university officials meet the standards of the Jeanne Clery Act. The Clery Center offers resources for students and families looking to understand what their rights are. For more information, visit http://clerycenter.org/.

DoD Safe Helpline
Members of the Department of Defense (DoD) community affected by sexual assault can receive live, free, confidential help through the DoD Safe Helpline at (877)995-5247. For more information, visit the DoD Safe Helpline’s Website at https://www.safehelpline.org/.

domesticshelters.org
Victims of domestic violence can utilize this free searchable directory of domestic violence service providers in the United States and Canada. Services provided may include legal representation, immigration services, sexual violence support groups, transportation, relocation services, etc. For more information, visit https://www.domesticshelters.org/.

Fierberg National Law Group
Provide civil legal services for students and families who experience crime on campus, including sexual assault and Title IX violations. For more information, visit http://www.tfnlgroup.com/.

FORGE
FORGE offers several self-help guides to address the needs of transgender and non-binary individuals who have experienced sexual abuse or assault; loved ones of trans survivors; and facilitators of trans support groups. FORGE also provides referrals to therapists who specialize in working with transgender individuals and survivors of sexual assault. For more information, visit http://forge-forward.org/anti-violence/for-survivors/.

HRSA Health Centers
The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) health centers offer care, even if you have no health insurance. You pay what you can afford, based on your income. Services
include treatment when you’re sick, checkups when you’re well, complete care when you’re pregnant, and immunizations and checkups for your children. Some health centers also provide mental health, substance abuse, oral health, and/or vision services. For more information, visit http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/Search_HCC.aspx.

It’s On Us
It’s On Us is a national movement to end sexual assault. Take the pledge and commit to helping create a culture of consent, bystander intervention and survivor support at http://itsonus.org/.

Legal Services
Many communities offer Community Legal Services or have Legal Aid Societies which provide free or reduced cost for legal assistance and/or representation. Some of the community legal aid societies may offer information about visa and immigration services. Visit the website for further information: http://apps.americanbar.org/legalservices/probono/directory.html

loveisrespect
Individuals involved in dating abuse relationships can be connected to local resources and helpful websites through loveisrespect peer advocates at (866)331-9474 or text “loveis” to 22522 (Msg&Data Rates apply on text for help services). Loveisrespect will not ask you for your name or other contact information and the phone service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For more information, visit loveisrespect’s website at http://www.loveisrespect.org/.

MaleSurvivor
MaleSurvivor provides resources to male survivors of sexual trauma, including directories to find a therapist or support group. For more information, visit http://www.malesurvivor.org/default.html.

National Alliance to End Sexual Violence
Leaders from statewide anti-sexual violence organizations joined with local rape crisis centers and prominent national advocates to create the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence. Its mission is to be the voice in Washington for state coalitions and local programs working to end sexual violence and support survivors. For more information, visit http://www.endsexualviolence.org/.

National Center for Victims of Crime
Website includes the National Center’s Connect Directory to assist with locating crime victim assistance organizations near you. Types of assistance include legal services, support groups, medical services, shelter/safe house, financial assistance, and mental health/counseling services. For more information, visit http://www.victimsofcrime.org/home.

National Crime Victim Bar Association
To assist you in finding a qualified attorney, the National Crime Victim Bar Association (NCVBA) can provide victims with referrals to local attorneys specializing in victim-related litigation. If you are a victim looking for an attorney referral, please contact (202)467-8716 or (844)529-4357, or email victimbar@ncvc.org. For more information, visit https://www.victimsofcrime.org/our-programs/national-crime-victim-bar-association/for-victims.

National Domestic Violence Hotline
Those affected by domestic violence can receive confidential, one-on-one support via the National Domestic Violence Hotline: (800)799-SAFE (7233). Trained advocates are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide crisis intervention, options for next steps and direct
connection to resources for immediate safety. The National Domestic Violence Hotline’s Website is http://www.thehotline.org/.

NO MORE
NO MORE is a public awareness and engagement campaign focused on ending domestic violence and sexual assault. You can find your state coalition and additional local resources at http://nomore.org/local-organizations/.

One Love
One Love works with young people across the country to raise awareness about the warning signs of abuse and activate communities to work to change the statistics around relationship violence. For more information, visit http://www.joinonelove.org/.

RAINN
Victims of sexual assault and their friends and families can also receive free, confidential 24-hour help by calling the National Sexual Assault Hotline at RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network): (800)656-HOPE (4673). You can also visit online.rainn.org to receive support via confidential online chat. RAINN’s website is https://www.rainn.org.

To find independent sexual assault service providers near you, search RAINN’s National Database at https://centers.rainn.org/. Services may include individual counseling, group counseling/support groups, legal/criminal justice system advocacy, crime victim assistance advocacy, emergency shelter, medical attention and hospital accompaniment.

Stalking Resource Center
Website includes victim assistance resources and information about federal, state, tribal, and military stalking statutes. For more information, visit http://www.victimsofcrime.org/our-programs/stalking-resource-center.

Student Financial Aid
Additional information on student financial aid is available at http://www.finaid.org/ and http://www.fastweb.com/financial-aid. Also students should discuss with their financial advisor about any questions they may have.

The Northwest Network
The NW Network of Bi, Trans, Lesbian and Gay Survivors of Abuse offers free and confidential support for LGBT survivors of domestic, dating and sexual abuse. Services include advocacy-based counseling, support groups, safety and support planning, basic legal advocacy, resources and referrals to housing, food banks, mental health programs, LGBT social support groups and legal assistance. Call (206)568-7777 or visit http://nwnetwork.org/ for more information.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Information on the legal rights available to immigrants in the United States can be found at http://www.uscis.gov/.

WomensLaw.org
Website provides state-specific legal information and resources for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Visit http://womenslaw.org/index.php for help finding a lawyer, shelter or courthouse locations in your state.
Western International University Sponsored Student and Employee Assistance Programs

Student Resources
The University also offers substance abuse and various counseling services to all currently enrolled students via the Student Assistance Program. The Student Assistance Program offers services at no cost that are confidential, available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, and accessible by calling (877)847-4532 or accessing the student website.

Employee Resources
Western International University provides an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) as an employee benefit. All employees have access to EAP whether or not they obtain other benefits through the University. Information about the program is available at all times through the Your Total Rewards site at http://resources.hewitt.com/apollogroup/ or on the Apollo Resource Center (ARC) under the “Support & Resources” tab.

This service provides referral services and treatment sessions as needed. Work-Life Services are also offered to help with problems that often overwhelm people; those problems include legal, financial, identity theft, elder and child care, housing, education, personal services, and a host of other needs. Calls and online inquiries are tracked by category. Employees enrolled in health care plans can obtain additional substance abuse benefits, including outpatient and inpatient services.

Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Referral Services
We also encourage anyone dealing with substance abuse issues (not just our employees and students) to contact national agencies for guidance and assistance in identifying a counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation program. Support is always available with confidentiality and discretion! One need only ask

- Al-Anon Family Groups (888)4AL-ANON (425-2666) http://www.al-anon.alateen.org/
- Alcoholics Anonymous http://www.aa.org/
- Cocaine Anonymous https://ca.org/
- Narcotics Anonymous http://www.na.org/
- National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (800)NCA-Call (622-2255) https://ncadd.org/
- National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism http://niaaa.nih.gov/
- National Institute on Drug Abuse (800)662-HELP (662-4357) https://www.drugabuse.gov/
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s (SAMHSA) Substance Abuse Treatment Facility Locator https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/locator

Suicide Referral Services
In addition to the Western International University sponsored Student and Employee Assistance Programs, the following are available for assistance to students and individuals contemplating suicide:

- The Jed Foundation [www.jedfoundation.org](http://www.jedfoundation.org)
- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- The Trevor Project (LGBTQ) (866)488-7386 [www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)

**Veteran Referral Services**

- Veterans’ Crisis Line at (800)273-8255 and Press “1”
- A crisis line for active-duty, Guard and Reserve members of the military at [http://www.veteranscrisisline.net/ActiveDuty.aspx](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net/ActiveDuty.aspx)
- VA responder line — text a message to 838255
- Self-check quiz at [https://www.vetselfcheck.org/Welcome.cfm](https://www.vetselfcheck.org/Welcome.cfm)
- Confidential online chat session for veterans at [https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/ChatTermsOfService.aspx](https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/ChatTermsOfService.aspx)

The Campus Security Authority (CSA) can provide additional referral resources within the local area.

The Global Security Operations Center (GSOC) provides student, faculty and staff support 24 hours a day and 7 days a week to report information at 866-992-3301. Students and other members of the campus community may also contact their local Silent Witness or Crime Stopper program to report information.

Victims seeking professional counseling will have their information kept in confidence. Even if a victim gives the professional counselor permission to release his or her identity, the counselor may only report the occurrence of the event itself to be included in the Annual Crime Statistics.
Contacting the Campus Safety Team

For further questions or help, please contact the Campus Safety Team:

**Ethics and Compliance:** Office.ComplianceUOPX@phoenix.edu

**Global Security Operations Center:** 866-992-3301 or 602-557-7000, gsoc@apollo.edu

**University Legal Services:** Apollo.Legal@apollo.edu

**Title IX Coordinator:** TitleIX@west.edu

| Your safety is of paramount importance. Western International University urges students, faculty, and staff to report all crimes or threatening situations that occur on campus to your local and state police department and then to us. If anything makes you feel unsafe or threatened, dial 9-1-1. |
Appendix of Acronyms

AED – Automated External Defibrillator
ARC – Apollo Resource Center
ASR – Annual Security Report
CPR – Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
CSA – Campus Security Authority
DoD – Department of Defense
DSA – Disability Services Advisor
EAP – Employee Assistance Program
EMN – Emergency Mass Notification
ERG – Emergency Response Guide
FBI – Federal Bureau of Investigation
FERPA – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
GSOC – Global Security Operations Center
HRBP – Human Resources Business Partner
MOU – Memoranda of Understanding
NCVBA – National Crime Victim Bar Association
NIBRS – National Incident-Based Reporting System
OCR – Office for Civil Rights
RAINN – Rape Abuse & Incest National Network
The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act or Clery Act is a federal statute codified at 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f), with implementing regulations in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations at 34 C.F.R. 668.46. The Clery Act is a federal statute that requires colleges and universities that receive federal financial aid funding to compile crime statistics from their campuses and provide safety information. Compliance is enforced by the United States Department of Education, which can impose civil penalties, up to $54,789 per violation, against institutions for each infraction and can suspend institutions from participating in federal student financial aid programs.

The University made a good-faith effort to obtain 2016 statistics from local and/or state law enforcement agencies, but the agencies did not comply with our request.

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* Western International University does not have any on-campus student housing facilities.